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## COLLISION IN THE THAMES.

### A DISASTROUS MAIDEN VOYAGE.

### PEOPLE KILLED IN THEIR BUNKS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 24.

A night time collision in the Thames between the Shaw Savill cargo boat Matatua and the United States Line cargo steamer American Merchant, resulted in eight aboard the Matatua being killed outright in their bunks, and three being severely crushed. These latter have been sent to hospital.

It is believed the American Merchant, which is a seventy-five hundred tonner, on her maiden voyage from New York, crashed into the Matatua broadside on, off Holehaven, and struck her amidships in the engineroom. The Matatua filled quickly, but the Captain managed to beach her. The American Merchant was damaged, and proceeded to Tilbury, with pieces of the Matatua's plates hanging on her bow, and her flag at half mast.

## THE QUEENSTOWN OUTRAGE.

### COLONIAL SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

London, March 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Neville Chamberlain Mr. Thomas expressed the Government's deepest sympathy for the victims of the cowardly and brutal outrage at Queenstown (cheers), and their relatives and friends. He emphasised that the Government of every self-governing Dominion was solely responsible for the preservation of law and order within its own territories. He was assured that the relations of the British troops with the inhabitants of Queenstown had always been very friendly (cheers) and there had not been the slightest complaint of the conduct of the troops.

The Government was completely confident that the Free States Government earnestly desired to track down and bring to justice the perpetrators of the outrage, and wipe out this blot on Irish honour. He was sure the overwhelming majority of Irish people were behind their Government and against the perpetrators of the crime, which was almost certainly the act of irresponsible individuals with the motive of causing the downfall of the Free State Government by embroiling it with Britain.

## CHINA'S CUSTOMS DUTIES.

### ENQUIRY INTO PROPOSED INCREASE.

London, March 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Chapple, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald stated that the Chinese request to hold a preliminary conference to discuss the matters relating to an increase of two and a half per cent. in the customs duties, in accordance with the Washington Treaty, had just been received and was being enquired into.

## NINE YEARS TO COMPLETE.

### Statistics of the Singapore Project.

### AUSTRALIAN LABOUR VIEW.

London, March 24.

Numerous questions about the Singapore base continue to be levelled at Ministers in the House of Commons.

Replying to Mr. Lambert, Mr. Ammon gave the main details of the proposed ten and a half millions sterling expenditure, which he stated did not provide for aeroplane or military defence.

Replying to Comdr. Bellairs, Mr. Ammon said the King's Dock at Singapore was the only one which could take a cruiser of the Hawkins class. It could also take any existing unbulged capital ship, the smaller aircraft carriers, and the projected ten thousand ton cruisers. It would take nine years from the date orders were given to begin work before the naval base could deal with modern capital ships and aircraft carriers.

Comdr. Bellairs asked whether, in view of the gravity of the issue with regard to the time required to complete the Singapore project in the event of the Government's disarmament negotiations not succeeding, could Mr. MacDonald state the approximate time by which the House could know whether the negotiations proved successful or not. Mr. Macdonald replied that it was not a matter of time, but of circumstances. If circumstances were not changed, then the loss of time would not be a loss at all. Singapore as a naval base would become necessary when conditions made it necessary.

Melbourne, March 24.

In response to Mr. Macdonald's inquiry, Mr. Charlton, the Federal Labour leader, has cabled that the Australian Labour Party opposed Mr. Bruce's committing Australia to the Singapore base.—*Reuter.*

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

### TO BE OPENED SOON.

With the construction of the new Queen's Theatre approaching completion, a good many people are doubtless wondering what the eventual upshot will be of the negotiations that have been protracted over a long period in regard to the leasing of the building. Information reaches us to the effect that there is just a little more certainty in the arrangements, for it is stated that very shortly an agreement will have been definitely closed whereby, for the sum of $15,000 monthly, the palatial theatre will be turned over on lease to a local Chinese businessman. The latter, when interviewed by a *Telegraph* representative yesterday, confirmed the report in stating that the Theatre may be expected to be opened some time next month under his control. The negotiations have not been yet closed, but it is expected that there will be no further hitch in the arrangements.

With a view to speeding up the plans of the lessees, various theatrical agencies have been got into touch with, for it is intended that the fullest use be made of the excellent stage in the new Theatre by the provision of vaudeville, musical and operatic performances, in addition to cinema pictures. A European manager will be put in charge and patrons will have the knowledge that the fullest provision is being made for their enjoyment and comfort in what will be the most modern theatre in the Colony.

## TIN FOLLOWS RUBBER.

London, March 24.

Tin this morning slumped twenty pounds, to two hundred and fifty-nine. There was heavy American selling.—*Reuter.*

## RESCUED AT SEA.

### CUSTOMS TENDER'S PLIGHT.

### Twelve Men Picked Up by "Kwongsang."

Shanghai, March 25.

The Indo-China S.N. Company's steamer Kwongsang, bound from Swatow to Shanghai, off Ockseu on Friday rescued twelve men and a dog adrift on a Customs tender.

The tender left Tungyung Lighthouse for Foochow on the 17th. instant, but lost her rudder and mast in a strong gale. She drifted 140 miles south-westward in four days.

The rescued men were in an exhausted condition, having been two days without food.—*Reuter.*

## NEW FERRY BOATS.

### FIVE TO BE BUILT.

### Similar to "Star" Boats.

Five large ferry launches which will represent a decided improvement on the existing craft are to be constructed for the Hongkong and Yaumati Ferry Company for services between the Island and various points on the mainland. They will be of the double-decker and double-ender type, similar to the "Star" ferries.

The cost of each vessel is understood to be about $80,000, and the tender for their construction may be awarded to a Chinese dock company, it is stated. A period of six months will be taken for their construction and, when launched, they will meet a long-felt need for services which are sometimes unpleasantly congested.

## THE SETTLEMENT.

### EASILY A LOCAL RECORD.

To-day—March Settlement Day—has undoubtedly been a record one. One well-known broker, of over 15 years' experience in the Colony, told a *Telegraph* representative this afternoon that the Settlement was easily a record in his time and possibly for all time in the Colony's history.

The volume of business booked for March began to accumulate early in the year and during the recent boom it was added to on a scale hitherto unknown. Very big parcels of shares were due to change hands, and it was estimated in a reliable quarter that something like $30,000,000 or $40,000,000 was involved—on paper at least. Owing to the extremely large commitments entered into, considerable doubt prevailed at one time as to whether the Settlement would pass off without incidents of default, but there was a very optimistic tone prevailing when our representative made enquiries this afternoon.

Brokers have been extremely busy all day exchanging cheques and script and it is doubtful whether the Settlement will have been completed by the close of the business day. The Banks have been extremely accommodating, intimating that they would be open later than usual for the receipt of cheques. Even with this assistance, however, it is unlikely that all the business will have been completed.

Ice House Street has been almost deserted all day, office work claiming the attendance of brokers and their assistants. It is known that one or two "forward buyers" who became too involved are not in the Colony to-day, but in the vast majority of cases clients have honoured their contracts and the March Settlement is confidently expected to pass off minus any serious untoward incident.

## NEW STEAMER.

### THE INDO-CHINA "LIEN SHING."

### To Be Launched at Kowloon To-morrow.

The single screw steamer Lien Shing, built at the Kowloon establishment of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., for the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., is to be launched to-morrow at 11.45 a.m. She is intended for the Shanghai Tientsin trade. The following are the leading dimensions; Length overall, 300 feet; length between perpendiculars, 285 feet; breadth moulded, 44 feet; depth moulded, 22 feet.

The vessel is of the two-deck type, with poop and bridge connected by a shade deck, topgallant forecastle and boat decks aft and amidships. She is constructed to Lloyd's requirements under special survey for their highest class, and the fore end is specially strengthened to withstand encounter with ice. Cargo is carried in the forward and after holds and also in a deep tank situated abaft the machinery space. The facilities for working the cargo are of the most modern description, twin masts and four winches being fitted at each hatch worked on the Piussessean system. The forward winches are constructed to couple in pairs for lifting heavy loads and a wall-type winch is installed at the hatches for deep tank cargo. Water ballast or fresh water is carried in the peaks, while the double bottom is suitable for oil fuel, if required, as well as ballast.

The rudder is controlled from the bridge, as in the two previous ships built for this Company, by the McTaggart Scott system of Telemotor gear, which is led to Hasties steam steering gear situated in the poop and directly connected to the rudder head. A powerful Clarke Chapman steam windlass and warping capstan is fitted for working the anchors and cables, while a stream anchor, housed aft, has a special small steam windlass for quick handling in narrow waters.

The bridge deck is entirely devoted to passengers, having accommodation for twenty-eight first class in two-berth rooms. The first class state-rooms are large and roomy, fitted with wash basins having a direct supply of hot and cold water from a large tank on the casing top. Lavatory accommodation is on a generous scale, and all the fittings are of the latest pattern. The public rooms consist of dining room, lounge and smoke room, which are handsomely panelled and upholstered in the best material. Accommodation is provided for 56 second-class passengers in the bridge tween decks and poop, while a limited number of third-class rooms are situated in the after tween decks.

The Captain and Wireless Officers are accommodated on the boat deck forward, while the Engineers and Officers are housed in a steel house on the poop.

The vessel is electrically lighted throughout and fans are provided in all the public, passenger and officers' rooms. Steam heating is also installed to provide additional comfort in winter.

Propelling machinery constructed by the builders is placed amidships and consists of one set of triple expansion surface condensing engines with four cranks, balanced on the Yarrow Schlick and Tweedy system, having cylinders, 24"—40"—48"—48" × 42" stroke. Steam at 190 lbs. per square inch working pressure is generated in three single-ended Scotch boilers working under Howden's forced draught, 14 feet 9 inches diameter by 11 feet 6 inches long. A Michell thrust block of the latest design is fitted.

The engine and boiler room auxiliaries include Weir's pumps and heater, a Paul's independent centrifugal circulating pump; also a Paul's centrifugal ballast pump for quick discharge of deep tank, together with the usual general service, ballast and fresh water and See's ash ejector pump. A See's ash ejector is fitted in the stokehold for the disposal of ashes.

## HOME MAILS.

### COMPLAINTS ANSWERED.

### Siberian Route Improving.

During the course of the past few days complaints have reached us regarding the fact that mails from Home are not so fast as they used to be quite recently. It has been pointed out that in many cases goods have arrived from Home before the documents and that it has been quite a common experience of late to get goods and documents by the same ship, whereas documents used to arrive at least one boat before the goods. One firm had goods arrive by the Katori Maru which came in on Thursday, the documents for which did not reach here until Saturday afternoon, by the P. and O. Kalyan. In view of this fact and also by reason of the reference made at yesterday's meeting of the General Chamber of Commerce, in which the Chairman expressed gratification at the improvement of the mail services this year as compared to last year, a *Telegraph* representative made enquiries to-day into the matter.

Those who complain of delayed mails are losing sight of the fact that all letter mails are now arriving within the calendar month. We will give the last five letter mails which prove the point:—

Left London January 24th., arrived Hongkong February 22nd, per s.s. Khyber.

Left London January, 31st., arrived Hongkong February 29th., per s.s. Namsang.

Left London February 7th., arrived Hongkong March 7th., per s.s. China.

Left London February 14th., arrived Hongkong March 14th., per s.s. Glenfalloch.

Left London February 21st., arrived Hongkong March 22nd., per s.s. Kalyan.

It is true that some exceptionally fast times were made by the Blue Funnel line sometime ago, but the mail then used to come via Brindisi. The majority of the mails now come by the old Negapatam route—a route which has been proved to be extermely trustworthy and well up to reasonable time.

Only specially marked mails are coming by Brindisi. One calendar month is surely a reasonable time for sea-borne mails to arrive.

It is pointed out to us that the fact that goods sometimes arrive before or with the mail can possibly be explained by the fact that goods just catch a ship whereas letters posted at about the same time might just miss the mail boat.

THE SIBERIAN ROUTE.

We are also informed that the Siberian route, which was only re-commenced a short while ago, is improving. Some of the first mails to arrive were not in very good condition when they came here, but there is nothing to complain of in that direction now. Up to to-day only one bag for Hongkong was coming by each mail, but this morning the Post Office received three bags of mail despatched from London on February 28th., the sea-borne mail of the same date not being due here until March 30th.—a saving of five days. There is growing confidence in the Siberian route and to-day's experience of receiving a mail in 26 days will doubtless strengthen that confidence.

Taking it all in all, Hongkong has little to-day of which to complain regarding its Home mail services.

## THE SILENCE OF CONTEMPT.

### Anthe Contempt of Silenced.

Washington, March 24.

With a view to having Mr. Sinclair adjudged guilty of contempt, the Senate has decided to certify to the United States Attorney his refusal to answer questions before the oil committee. Another witness who refused to be examined is Mr. Chase, a son in law of Mr. Fall, the Secretary for the Interior.—*Reuter.*

## LONDON TRAFFIC BILL.

### ATTEMPTS TO END THE TRAM STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to a question with regard to the tram strike, Mr. Gosling announced that the Government would introduce a London Traffic Bill to-morrow and pass it as rapidly as possible.

Mr. MacDonald emphasised that the Government was working its hardest to end the dispute as speedily as possible.

### Court of Enquiry Reports.

London, March 24.

With extraordinary promptitua the court of enquiry into the London transport strike has issued an interim report, stating that, *inter alia*, nobody has seriously questioned the workers' claim to increased wages. The crisis has arisen owing to the inability of the various undertakings to earn sufficient to meet the claim. It concludes that the only present hope of re-opening negotiations between the parties is an undertaking by the Government to press forward legislation placing the metropolitan passenger traffic under co-ordinating control.

Mr. MacDonald, accompanied by Messrs. Gosling and Shaw, met Messrs. Ashfield and Bevin in the House of Commons, after which it was announced that both sides to the transport dispute would resume negotiations at the Ministry of Labour to-morrow.

## EXPRESS TRAIN DISASTER.

### PASSENGERS HORRIBLY MUTILATED.

Metz, March 24.

The international express from Ostend to Bale collided with a goods train at Bensdorf in the night, and eight dead and eleven injured passengers have hitherto been reported.

Owing to their terrible mutilation, six out of the eight killed in the disaster cannot be identified, beyond the fact that two are soldiers, one is a postman and one a woman.

It appears that a mail van and two passenger coaches were telescoped. It is believed the other victims are still beneath the wreckage.

Later.

The collision was due to a mistake at the points, switching the express on to a side line, whither the goods train had been previously diverted. Heartrending scenes followed, the express crashing full speed into the goods train.

## RUSSIAN DEPUTATION TO LONDON.

London, March 24.

Russia will be represented by a very influential deputation at the Anglo-Russian conference to deal with outstanding questions between the two countries. The deputation is expected to arrive in ample time to open discussions early in April, and includes Rakowsky and Litvinoff.

## "SLOW UP" ORDER FOR SHIPS.

### PACIFIC MAIL LINERS AFFECTED.

Last Friday's *Manila Bulletin* reports:—

United States Shipping Board passenger liners allocated to the Pacific Mail Company will do their stuff on the trans-Pacific run between San Francisco and Manila at the rate of fifteen knots, according to a new schedule just laid down.

Local shippers to San Francisco are thoroughly alarmed. It is said that there is no question but that vigorous protests will be made to Washington, as the order to slow down the vessels seems to have come from the Shipping Board itself, officials of the Pacific Mail not being to blame even to the extent of a recommendation to Washington on the point. The ships are expected to make at most fifteen and a half knots, and loaf along through a 30 to 31 day voyage like their Japanese competitors make. Heretofore they have been making 17 to 18 knots under the old schedule and are declared by seasoned masters to be quite staunch enough to maintain this speed without undue strain on ribs or plates.

COLD STORAGE.

Last year at considerable expense to the national treasury the cold storage freight space of these vessels was increased so as to take care of larger cigar shipments from Manila and of increasing shipments of vegetables and fresh fruits to the Orient from San Francisco. It was found by merchants here that there is a great potential demand for these products of the Pacific coast; much business has been done, with prospects for more; but practically this business hinges on a rapid schedule placing the fruits and vegetables on the market here undamaged, so that they will be sold before spoiling.

It was considered a distinct American mercantile and shipping achievement to invade this market, so close to China and Japan, with the matchless garden and orchard products of California. Now it is said, all this pioneering is threatened by the slow-up schedule prescribed from from Washington.

It is understood that the Shipping Board has it all figured out how the slow-up schedule will save money. But local shippers, who pay freight bills and whose figures count, are doing some rapid calculating of their own. They figure the schedule will lose money.

## FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

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## TWO NEW CARDINALS.

Rome, March 24.

The Pope in a private consistory has announced that Monsignors Hayes and Mundelein, the Archbishops of New York and Chicago respectively, have been appointed Cardinals.—*Reuter.*

## TO-DAY.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### RUSSIAN PRELATE RELEASED.

London, March 24.

It is announced that the Soviet authorities have decided to release and expel Archbishop Cieplak. It is believed that representations on the part of Premier Macdonald have influenced this decision. The proceedings against Patriarch Tikhon have been definitely abandoned.—*Reuter.*

[Archbishop Cieplak was arrested by the Soviet for resisting its authority to sieze church properties in Russia. Together with Bishop Budkie icz he was condemned to death, but in consequence of the insistent protests against the sentence both in the House of Commons and from other directions, it was reduced to one of ten years. Poland took up the question diplomatically and Mr. T. P. O'Connor and Commander Kenworthy both telegraphed to the Soviet for mercy. Patriarch Tikhon was also charged and sentenced but as he recanted and admitted his active opposition to the Soviet, and recognized the justice of the decision of the Supreme Court making him responsible for anti-Soviet agitation, he was released on condition that he made his residence at the Donskoy monastry to which he retired.]

### GERMAN REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

London, March 24.

The situation arising out of the differences between the reparation experts, on the subject of which the British representatives have returned to report to Premier Macdonald, are described here as extremely difficult if not critical. It is understood that the British are of the opinion that Germany should have a real moratorium, whereas the French and Belgians insist on substantial deliveries in kind and the defrayal of occupation costs during the proposed moratorium. They contend that if Germany is unable to finance such deliveries they should be financed out of an International loan which would mean indirect British financial assistance to countries already heavily indebted to us. Germany's capacity to pay after two or three years moratorium has also been protractedly discussed. Annuities ranging from a hundred to two hundred and twenty-five millions sterling have been suggested.—*Reuter.*

### OBITUARY.

London, March 24.

The death is announced of Sir William MacEwan.

[Sir William MacEwan was born in June 1848. He was President of the British Medical Association in 1922 and President of the International Surgical Society from 1920 to 1923. He is the author of several works on medicine and surgery.]

### GERMAN INDUSTRIES.

Duesseldorf, March 24.

The output of the Ruhr mines amounts to 102 per cent. and the coke-ovens 82 per cent. as compared with the figures for 1922.

71,600 railwaymen have re-enlisted.

The February Custom Duties and special licenses yielded 24 millions of gold marks, thus permitting an estimate of 300 millions as the total receipt for 1924.—*Reuter.*

### UNITED STATES STEEL EARNINGS.

New York, March 24.

The annual statement of the United States Steel Corporation for the year ending Dec. 31, 1923 shows net earnings of $128,177,000, and a surplus of net income of $54,260,000. Dividends to be paid are 7 per cent. on the Preferred and 5¾ per cent. on the Common Stock.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### SHAH TO BE DEPOSED.

Teheran, March 24.

Owing to the opposition shown by the clergy and the public Parliament has dropped the proposal to establish a Republic, but has decided to depose the Shah in favour of his two year old son, having a regent during his minority.—*Reuter.*

### WILL REPLACE JAPAN'S LIBRARIES.

London, March 24.

The British Committee organising a movement to help to replace the English books in the Japanese Imperial University lost through the earthquake writes to the press stating that learned societies and British publishers have already made most generous response and are inviting cash donation in order to provide other valuable works.—*Reuter.*

### FLOATING MINE KILLS SIXTEEN.

Cairo, March 24.

Sixteen fishermen were killed off Alexandria by the explosion of a floating mine which became entangled in their nets.—*Reuter.*

### INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT.

New York, March 24.

In the sixth round Capablanca beat Tartakower of Russia after fifty-one moves.—*Reuter's American Service.*


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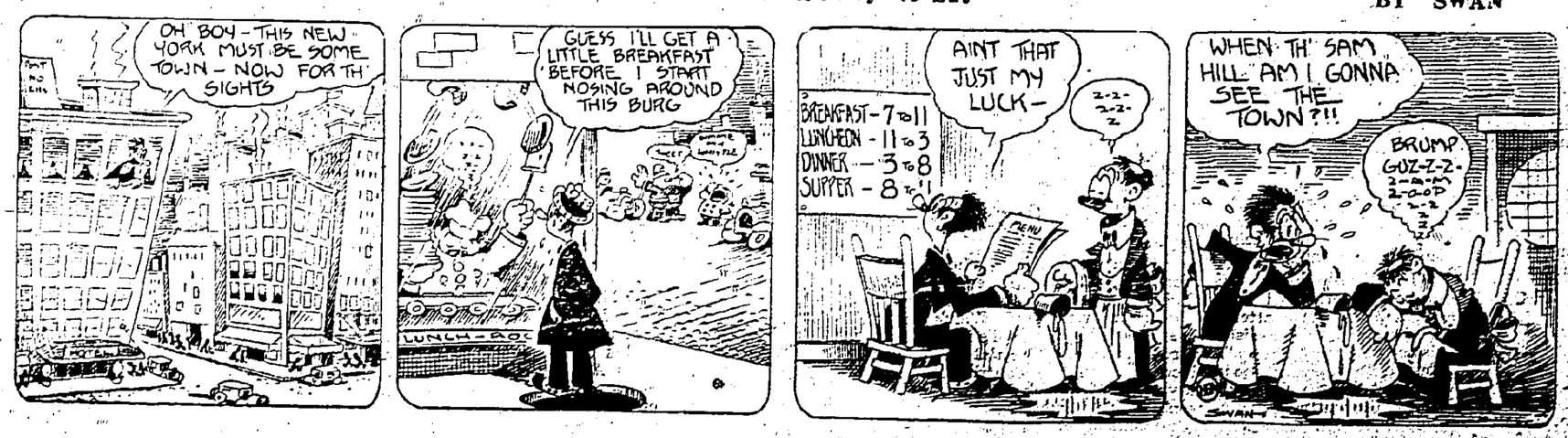



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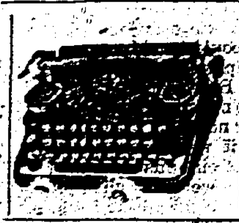

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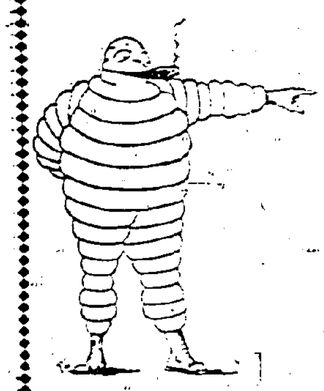

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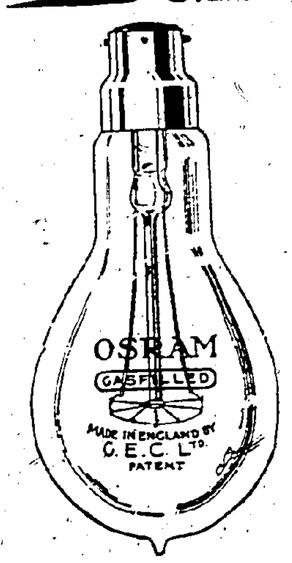


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## BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

### TRIBUTES BY VISITING BISHOPS.

Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., presided at the annual meeting of the Hongkong auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society at the Helena May Institute last evening. Among those on the platform with the Chairman were the Rt. Revs. Bishop L. H. Roots, of Hankow, and Bishop E. D. L. Danson, of Labuan and Sarawak, also Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce (Secretary), and the Rev. Kirk Maconachie. There was a large attendance.

Dr. Pearce formally presented the report of the auxiliary, and Dr. J. Herbert Sanders, Treasurer, submitted the statement of accounts which, showed a balance in hand of $52.39. Dr. Sanders remarked that the collections by the Ladies' Committee were $300 less than the total of the previous year, and hoped the deficit would be avoided this year.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts and that copies of these be sent to the British and Foreign Bible Society in London and its agency at Shanghai, the Chairman said it was only right that they should express their gratitude to those responsible for so successfully carrying out the work of the Hongkong auxiliary during 1923, especially to Dr Pearce, whose restoration to health had been most gratifying to his many friends in the Colony, to Dr. Sanders and members of the Committee; also also to the ladies who undertook year after year to collect subscriptions. Anyone who took the trouble to study what the Society had done in the past would realise the natuure of its activities, the chief feature of which was the distribution of Scripture publications. It was very gratifying that Dr. Pearce had arranged the meeting, while memgers of the Synod were in Hongkong. Sir Claud Severn extended a warm welcome to Bishops Roots and Dandon, and invited them to address the meeting.

In the course of his address Bishop Roots said it was one of his great privileges and pleasures during his visit to Hongkong to read the report of the Hongkong auxiliary. He had no idea that there was such an active body in Hongkong, but as he read the report and saw what had been accomplished in relation to the great Society which it helped, he was filled with gratitude that there was such an auxiliary. He would like to congratulate all those who had helped in the work. Bishop Roots then gave a general outline of the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and spoke in appreciative terms of the valuable work it undertook of translating the Scripture into so many different languages, to facilitate the work of missionaries. Bishop Roots seconded the Chairman's proposal, which was carried unanimously.

#### Head-Hunters of Borneo.

Bishop Danson then addressed the meeting. He said there was not one missionary bishop in the whole world, who was keen on his job, who would not express gratitude for the help of the Bible Society, which made missionary work possible. He could endorse what Bishop Roots had said about the Bible Society's work in China. Speaking of his own diocese, Bishop Danson said Borneo was a sort of Tower of Babel. There the services had to be conducted in seven different tongues, a thing which could not be done without the help of the Bible Society. They had bibles in Chinese, Malay, and even in the language of the primitive people of the country, the Dyak, or head-hunters. Largely through the influence of Christian bishops, and also through good government, the land and sea dyak, two great tribes in Borneo, had become a comparatively peaceful and prosperous people. Forty or fifty years ago, the dyaks of one river would never visit their neighbours on the other river except for purpose of getting souvenirs in the form of human heads; today these same people would cross the waterways on great Christian festivals in order to be side by side with their former foes to receive Holy Communion. That was a wonderful testimony to the work of the missionaries in Borneo and the Bible Society that had helped them. Fifty years ago these dyak used to form crews of pirate boats hovering round the seas of Borneo. In those days it was unsafe for ships to travel in these seas. It was Sir James Brook who freed the dyak from the bondage of the Malays in 1842 and set them on the paths of peace and prosperity. A God-fearing man, Sir James Brook realised that the power of the sword could not be as lasting in the promotion of the welfare of the people as the teachings of Christianity. So, when he went home, he begged the Missionary Society to send missionaries out to work among the head-hunters. Bishop Danson went on to describe the difficulties besetting the missionary work as the dyak had not even their own language. He spoke of the progress that had been made, incidentally giving very interesting details concerning the mode of living and habits of the head-hunters.

On the proposal of Bishop Danson the meeting passed a resolution that Dr. Pearce and Dr. Sanders be re-elected Secreary and Treasurer and that the Committee be formed of the following: The clergy and Ministers of contributing churches, the Naval and Military Chaplains serving in Hongkong, Messrs. J. L. McPherson and W. M. Humphreys; the Misses Wooley, Hollis and Pitts; Mrs. Mackenzie, J. Milne, Edmonds,

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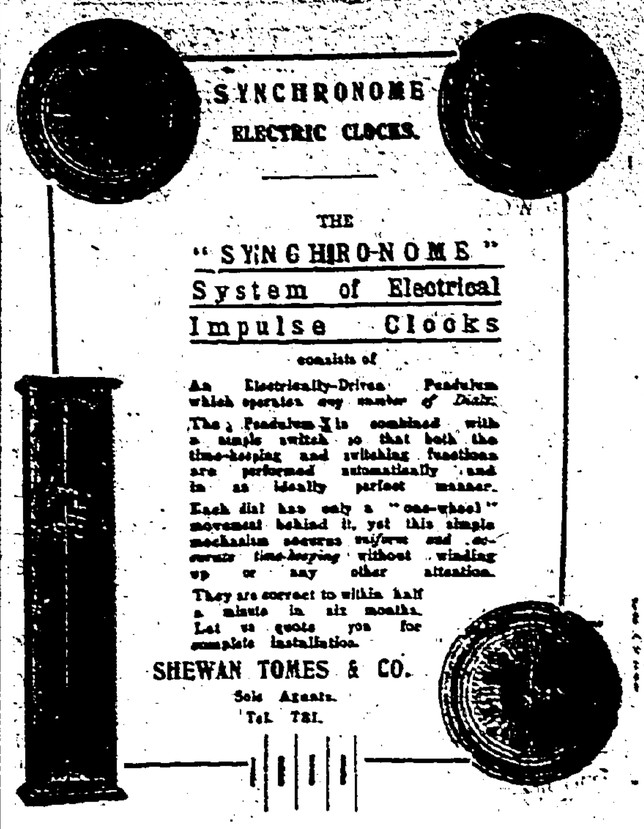

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## ROYAL ARTILLERY ATHLETIC MEETING.

U. S. R. C. Ground, Kowloon.

LIEUT. COLONEL W. O. S. SANDERS and the Officers, Royal Artillery, Hongkong, will be at HOME to any of their friends between 3 and 6 p.m. on FRIDAY, March 28th.

Hongkong, 20th. March 1924.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE Fifty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 27th March 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st. December 1923.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March 1924, both days inclusive.

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## NOTICE.

WE beg to give notice that K. E. Tsao has severed his connection with our firm as from March 7th. 1924. The Power of Attorney held by him has been revoked and Mr. Tsao has no authority to enter into dealing of any kind in our name or behalf from the aforesaid date and Mr. Tinsung Liu has been appointed as manager in our Hongkong branch.

By order of the Board of Directors,

T. Y. MAY.
Secretary.

Head Office, Shanghai,
TABAQUERIA FILIPINA.

## NOTICE.

THE THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the 'BRITISH LEGION' will be held in the Board room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson Ltd. on Thursday, 27th. March, 1924, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the REPORT and ACCOUNTS for the year 1923, and of electing OFFICERS and other MEMBERS of the COMMITTEE for the ensuing year, and of appointing HONORARY AUDITORS, and of dealing with any other business.

By order of the GENERAL COMMITTEE.

R. E. CABLE,
Hon. Secretary.

## CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.

NOTICE.

THE Fortysixth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Monday the 31st. March 1924 at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1923.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to 31st March 1924 both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1924.

## HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE thirty-eight yearly general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, at 5.30 p.m.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th. March, 1924.

## HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club, called in pursuance of a requisition by more than 20 resident members, will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, immediately after the yearly general meeting.

Business:—

As set forth in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON
Secretary.

Hongkong 25th. March, 1924.

## ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

THE Annual Meeting of the Members of the Association of Exporters and Dealers of Hongkong will be held on **Friday**, March 28th. 1924, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the CHAMBER ROOM, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December 1923.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order.
D. K. BLAIR,
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Hongkong, 22nd. March, 1924.

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## PUBLIC DINNER

to

Sir William Rees-Davies, K. C.

IT is proposed that a dinner should be given by the Foreign Community in honour of the departing Chief Justice at the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, 12th. April, at 8 p.m.

Gentlemen wishing to be present should notify on or before 5th April, their intention to Colonel Robertson, Hongkong Club, who will be supply all particulars.

Hongkong, 22nd. March, 1924.

## NOTICE.

A Concert will be given by the Hongkong Male Voice Choir at the Helena May Institute on Tuesday, April 8th., at 5.30 p.m. Tickets $1.00 each to be obtained from the Secretary of the Institute, and from Members of Committee. The entire proceeds are to be devoted to the Children's Fresh Air Fund."


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R. RODENFUSER,
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Hongkong, 25th. March. 1924.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS 1924

MEMBERS Season Tickets are now ready and may be obtained by those Members who have not already received them from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting at Happy Valley on Saturday 29th March 1924 commencing at 3 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be $1.—Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Season Tickets to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

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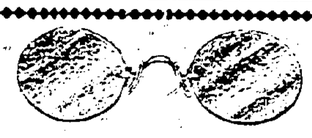

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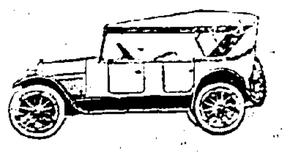

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# The Telegraph.

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## HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS.

From the trend of opinion amongst shipping men in Hongkong, and the mercantile community generally, it may be gathered that the form which our harbour improvements are to take have been nearly decided upon by those interested, and that the Government is prepared to acquiesce in the decision of expert commercial men. The speech by the Chairman at yesterday's Chamber of Commerce meeting contains a reference to what might be termed the alternative schemes—that of Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, for a big reclamation and a series of wharves at Hunghom Bay; and the suggestion that our liability to typhoons would make a huge wet dock, where ships could shelter snugly, preferable. The latter idea was fully explained in this paper at the time it was brought forward. We have an impression that the Hunghom Bay scheme is very little favoured. It is a fine plan for developing the facilities of this port, which is continuously being called upon to cater to millions of tons of ocean-going shipping. The statistics we recently published show how this traffic is growing. In years to come, such wharves as we have will be inadequate; and congestion and confusion might well result. When we think of the Fitzmaurice scheme merely in those terms, we visualise a port with facilities second to none in the world, and wharves berthing huge liners at the very head of a railway system tapping the resources of the whole of South China, and beyond. Then we think of the time it will take, the expense, the possibilities each summer when King Typhoon rules; and our vision embraces the chaos on the mainland, where rolling stock and permanent way alike are being left to go to rack and ruin whilst feudal wars are being waged; and the Hunghom Bay prospect fades into the category of things grandiose but possibly unattainable. With Mr. Bernard we hope the decision as to a definite policy will not be long forthcoming.

In considering harbour improvement on a big scale, we cannot refrain from querying the capacity of the present system of control. As Mr. Bernard said: "One fact ... has emerged very clearly, namely, that the harbour, which is vital to the development and progress of the Colony, should have an administrative department of its own, in common with other great world-ports instead of being, in part, a branch of the Public Works Department." We can only wonder how much longer this necessity is to remain unprovided for.

## The "Australia."

We can well understand and appreciate the sentiment of those Australians who resent the proposal that the battleship Australia should be sunk. This fine fighting ship, of over 19,000 tons, was built in 1911 and she has had a fine record of which any country might well be proud. She took part in the Battle of Jutland, in which she distinguished herself for the work she did, and now it is proposed to put an end to her career by sinking her off Sydney Head. Whilst not professing to be acquainted with all the circumstances which have resulted in this decision being reached, we consider it matter for the utmost regret that such a fine unit of the Australian Navy, having such associations with the Commonwealth, should be sent to the bottom as though she were something whose existence should be speedily forgotten. There is, seemingly, no obligation under the Washington Treaty, to dispose of the Australia in this way, which makes the proposal all the more mysterious. There is a moral and psychological effect in matters of this kind, and we cannot think in this instance that it is likely to be one to bring honour or credit to the British Empire. We know there are folk who would like to see all ships of war at the bottom of the sea. That represents an utterly idealistic state, and the time for total disarmament is not yet. We are hoping, therefore, if only for sentimental reasons (and sentiment counts for much in Imperial matters) that the idea of sinking this fine ship will soon be abandoned.

## Pirates.

We are hoping there is some truth in the report that some of the pirates concerned in the Hydrangea and Sunning affairs have been captured. What is more, we trust that they will be shown no mercy if they are definitely connected with these piracies. The report is that they have been secured, as the result of information from the local police, by Chinese troops in the Tamsui and Namshan districts. If that is so, it is further cause for gratification, because it implies much-to-be-desired co-operation between the Chinese and British authorities. We want to see more of this co-operative effort, for if it is extended there is no reason why many of these terrible piracies should not even be prevented. A Kongmoon correspondent, in a letter which we published yesterday, made a point which must have occurred to many when he referred to the seeming hesitancy to rout out the pirates who seized the ferryboat Kwong Shun. On the face of things, there does seem to have been an undue tenderness shown towards this particular gang. Maybe, however, operations are afoot which will lead to important consequences. We hope so, because it would be a bad thing were pirate gangs to get the impression that they can calmly seize vessels right under the nose of the authorities and escape the punishment which is their due.

## MORE AMMUNITION.

### FOUND ON FRENCH STEAMER.

Two sacks, containing 9,620 rounds of ammunition, which were found by the Chief Steward of the M.M. Angkor concealed in the ship, were turned over to the Water Police on the ship's arrival here yesterday morning. The identity of the smugglers has not been ascertained.

An application for the forfeiture of these arms will be made to the Magistrate.

## DAY BY DAY.

MONEY MAY BE THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL, BUT IT IS A WONDERFUL STIMULUS AND THE ROOT ALSO OF MOST THINGS.—*Sir J. Thomson.*

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The Empress of Russia is now due here at 5.30 p.m. to-day and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf.

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Master E. Danenberg, the six-year-old pianist, gave a very successful recital in Macao last Sunday in the presence of H. E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Rodrigues.

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Receiving serious injuries when attempting to alight from a moving tram near Water Street, a Chinese, 22 years of age, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday.

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A slight error crept into our comments on the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., yesterday—the Company's assets are fifteen million dollars, and not five million, as stated.

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The silk shipped per s.s. President Jefferson which sailed from this port on February 22nd, at 10 a.m., arrived at New York on March 16th, at 1.30 p.m., having been 23 calendar days in transit.

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A sum of $10, a pair of earrings and a penknife, were taken from an amah employed in the Military Hospital at Bowen Road in a hold-up yesterday afternoon near the Filter Beds. The robber made his escape.

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The usual Wednesday Public Meeting of the Hongkong Lodge the Theosophical Society will be held on Wednesday, March 26th, at 5.45 p.m., at the Lodge, 19, Queen's Rd. Central. Subject:—Theosophy and Education."—All are welcome.—*Adv.*

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It is now stated that the funds to be secured from the payment of house rentals in advance in Canton will be used for the meeting of military expenses, as the Hunanese and Yunnanese troops are said to have refused to proceed to the East Front unless their arrears of pay are made good.

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Almost everybody like melodrama—when it is good; consequently almost everybody is sure to like "Fair Lady," this evening's big Coronet Theatre picture. "Fair Lady" is founded on Rex Beach's popular novel, "The Net," and it is the very best melodrama. Throughout the whole piece the timing is excellent, while the staging is at all times good, especially where the action is laid in the beautiful island of Sicily.

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The *Canton Gazette* says:—In order to check the rumours to the effect that the government here is going to adopt bolshevism and will experiment on the adoption of same in Canton, General Techen Wu, the Police Commissiner of Canton, will issue an announcement prohibiting the circulation of such discreditable rumours. He has instructed the detectives of the Police Department to keep a close watch for makers of such rumours and will bring them to justice.

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Haiwaiian music and songs still continue to enjoy a vogue in the Colony, as testified by the rousing reception given to the Haiwaiian Troubadours at the Star Theatre last night from beginning to end of their performance. This is no less due to the ability of the performers to instil vim into the items than to varying their contributions in such a way as to preclude the possibility of feeling for one moment bored. The jazz band proved itself to be very eccentric and the addition of the marimba provided some uncommon music which delighted the audience. To-night the Company is again performing at the Star Theatre in a new programme.

### BIG CHEQUE FOR BARTS.

In connection with the Fleet-street Week for Barts, held in the autumn, a dinner was held last month at the London Press Club. Lord Stanmore, treasurer of the hospital, was handed a cheque for £9,468 by Mr. Matt Blythe, on behalf of the Executive Committee. The company included representatives of the Institute of Journalists, the National Union of Journalists, and the Press Club.

## KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

### CHINESE SECTION SADLY NEGLECTED.

It is many months now since the disorder in South China necessitated the curtailment of traffic on the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, leading eventually to a total cessation beyond Shumchun. The question is occasionally raised here as to when traffic on the whole line might be resumed, and the reply usually is, just as soon as normal conditions be re-established over the border. Reports now coming in, however, somewhat discount this expectation.

We hear that observers of conditions along the Chinese portion of the track are pessimistic concerning the time that it will take to get everything in order again. Apparently it is nobody's business to look after the matter, so where the permanent way becomes damaged not the least attempt is being made to effect proper repairs, whilst rolling-stock is left to go to ruin. In some instances the neglect has been criminal, and reports are received of locomotives that have, seemingly, tumbled down embankments, being left lying on their side to the mercy of the elements. One estimate places the shortest period in which thorough repair, replacement, and re-organisation could be effected at eighteen months. So the prosects of a full resumption of Kowloon-Canton traffic, even with the return of peaceful conditions, appear very remote.

## LAWN TENNIS.

### YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

The replay took place yesterday between S. H. Ismail and O. Rumjahn in the second round of the Open Singles Championship, and, after a long struggle, the former won by three sets to two. Yesterday's match was slightly better than the first one, especially in the beginning. Ismail was the more aggressive and on the run of play was the superior. He won the first, third and fifth sets, the last with comparative ease, Rumjahn offering little opposition.

Results: Open Singles, S.H. Ismail beat O. Rumjahn, 6-2, 3-6, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

A. B. Raworth beat K. H. Lo, 6-1, 6-0, 6-0.

Ko Ka-lau beat Randle, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1.

Club Championship: C. C. Stark beat A. Skinner, 7-5, 6-0, 4-6, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "A": R. E. Worthington (owe 15/3), beat B. D. Evans (2/6), 6-4, 6-3; "B" G. de Man (scr), beat J. R. Collis (3/6), 6-3, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles: D. Burlingham and C. G. Purdue (4/6), beat V. Grayburn and A. Carr 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; A. Piercy and W. Corneby (5/6), beat W. W. Mackenzie and E. Lammert (5/6), 6-3, 6-0.

Mixed Doubles: W. and Miss Hattersley Smith (scr.), beat L. M. Lloyd and Miss Holyoak (15) 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

**To-day's Matches.**

Open Singles.—Yew Man-tsun v. K. Yamazaki; Wong Po-keung v. R. E. Worthington.

Handicap Doubles.—F. A. Redmond and M. H. Roffey (owe 2/6) v. J. E. Warner and N. L. Smith (2/6); H. Kearne and C. M. Wilson (15) v C. D. Armstrong and D. J. Allfree (4/6).

Mixed Doubles.—G. G. Franklin and Mrs. Boyd (scr) v. W. A. Nowers and Mrs. H. R. Remington (4/6).

Handicap Singles "B".—J. B. Powell (1/6) v. J. C. Macgown (3/6).

We are informed by the Hon. Secretary of the Cricket Club that the match which was due to be played to-morrow between the brothers Lo and the brothers Rumjahn has been postponed. It will now be played on Monday, on the Stand court.

## YET ANOTHER.

### LAUNCH SEIZED IN CANTON.

Yet another steam launch has been seized in Canton. A report reaches us to the effect that this launch, which was employed in towing a passenger junk between Shun Tak and Canton, had just left the jetty early on the morning of the 23rd instant when a score of men clambered on to the vessel from the launch, overpowered the crew with arms and stated that they had been ordered by a high official to "borrow the launch for a few days."

The men then forced the coxswain to steer the launch away in a westerly direction, and as yet no further news has been heard of the craft.

## THE BEGGAR.

### HOW HE SAT HIS GROUND.

About eleven o'clock this forenoon there was "a certain liveliness" to be observed at the corner of Ice House Street and Queen's Road, by the Pharmacy. At first we thought it was a dog-fight, but as the crowd grew thicker and a policeman's turban appeared above the heads of the throng, it became apparent that some bigger game was afoot. As matters turned out afterwards, there was nobody afoot, except the crowd and the police.

Within a few minutes reinforcements arrived, and the press of humanity left only a small ring within which, it seemed, some stirring drama was being enacted. Two Indian constables at the very least, and a Chinese detective, could be observed struggling in the midst of the seething throng, and those on the outskirts of the rapidly-growing crowd, with bated breath decided that it must be an armed robbery sequel, or possibly a murder.

But—it was only a lame Chinese beggar, and he was stubbornly sitting down on three square feet of the King's highway which he refused to vacate. The united efforts of the several representatives of the Police Force failed to move this villain. Even the offer of a chair ride to the Central Station, at His Majesty's expense, failed to move him. His was a sordid soul, earthbound, and utterly lacking in appreciation of the lift in the world offered to him. So the chair was sent away.

Then somebody had a brain-wave, and a length of thin cord was produced. But the policemen could not persuade the beggar that the cord should confine his resisting limbs. What were these constables to do with such an obstinate beggar! No doubt the sweat of exasperation was beginning to bedew their brows.

Presently a European detective arrived on the scene. He seemed to be uttering some magical words, for after a few minutes the cause of all the bother decided to proceed to the headquarters of the Force, and rose from his sitting position. A chair was again summond, the man was installed, and he proceeded in state up the hill, followed by a small retinue of curious idlers.

The remainder of the crowd gradually dispersed. Probably they felt they had been cheated by the decrepit mendicant giving in so easily to the mighty forces of law and order.

## KONGMOON NEWS.

### PIRATE GANG ASSEMBLES.

(*Our Own Correspondent.*)

Kongmoon, March 24th.

The attitude of the naval officers here towards Dr. Sun Yat-sen's recent order appointing Lam Yeuk-si as Commissioner of Coast Defence is rather puzzling. Nobody knows exactly what is what, and yet everybody knows that something is wrong somewhere. Mr. Lam, having been back to Canton, returned here again yesterday by the gunboat Tung Kong. It is said that Lam has paid three visits to Kongmoon since the issue of the order of appointment, but has been unable to take over the naval command.

It is reported that the Kongmoon-Shiuhing towboats have been commandeered for military transportation, resulting in an interruption of traffic between the two places.

Commandeering of coolies for military service has been going on in Sunwui during the past two days. This has had a depressing effect on the general business. There are few pedestrians in the city.

Over 100 pirates are reported to have assembled near Lang Tai Shuen on the Sunwui river with the object of piracy on some passing towboat. Fortunately, their scheme has been envisaged by the soldiers, who are taking steps to disperse them.

When one walks through Kongmoon at the present day, one may easily notice here and there small places with a board hung in front, inscribed with the words "Conversational Saloon." What are these places? It requires quite a stretch of imagination to realise the fact that they are virtual opium-smoking dens in disguise.

## SWARAJIST OBSTRUCTION.

### Central Provinces Suffer.

Nagpur, March 24.

Consequent on the Legislature's rejection of the supply measures, the Governor announced his decision to certify the expenditure essential for carrying on the administration. He is restoring practically all the supplies for the reserved department while with respect to the transferred department he has been authorised only to sanction essential expenditure, therefore all development schemes will be held up. He is unable to sanction a reasonable salary for Ministers, which the Council has reduced to two rupees, therefore he is oblized to take over the transferred administration himself. It is pointed out that the Legislature's action has deprived the province of urgent developments, and a very important advance towards self-government.—*Reuter.*

### In Bengal Also.

Calcutta, March 24.

The Bengal Council continues to reject Budget items.

To-day it rejected votes aggregating 1914 lakhs, including an appropriation for Ministers' salaries.—*Reuter.*

## NO REPARATIONS SPLIT.

### Committees' Labours Near An End.

London, March 24.

Reuter understands that no special significance is attached to the visit by the British reparations experts to London, who are merely continuing the policy of keeping touch. The expert committee dealing with the flight of German capital abroad has practically finished its labours, but the other committee is still dealing with the problem of stabilising German currency and balancing the budget. Talk of new difficulties is not taken too seriously, and apparently only relates to the question of drafting. It is premature to say when the reports of the committees will be published, but they will be issued as speedily as possible.—*Reuter.*

## PROGRESS OF CHESS TOURNEY.

New York, March 24.

Three Russians lead at the end of the fifth round of the chess tournament. Bogulbujow and Tartakower have three and a half games each, Alekhin two and a half, Capablanca, Reti and Yates two each, and Doctor Libater and Janowski two each, with one game adjourned. Marshall, Edward Lasker and Maroczy have one and a half games each.—*Reuter.*

## BROADCASTING THE KING'S SPEECH.

London, March 24.

The whole country is to listen to the King's speech on the opening of the Empire Exhibition on April 23rd. The speech will be delivered directly into a microphone and be broadcast to all stations.—*Reuter.*

## A TERRIBLE WASTE.

### Good Liquor Used As Fuel.

Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, March 24.

The steamer Maria, owned in New York, carrying a cargo of liquor from Havana to St Pierre, limped into port twenty-four days late, after burning seven hundred cases of alcohol, valued at a quarter million dollars, as a substitute for coal, which was exhausted after a gale had driven the vessel far into the Atlantic.

The crew are half-starved, and report the vessel made only four knots with probably the most expensive fuel ever used on a steamer.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## U.S. BAR TO IMMIGRANTS.

Washington, March 24.

The House of Representatives immigration committee has submitted a formal report on the Johnson Immigration Bill. It is of opinion that cancellation of the socalled gentlemen's agreement with Japan is justified. The committee agrees to give wider latitude to admission of Japanese coming to the United States for business purposes, but declines to yield its contention that aliens generally who are ineligible for citizenship should not be permitted to enter.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## LAWN TENNIS AND WAR-MEMORIES.

Paris, March 24.

A meeting of the International Lawn Tennis Federation has decided to admit Japan as a member of the Federation, with four votes. Rumania has also been admitted. Applications from Austria and Hungary were postponed, but the ban against members of the Federation playing representatives from Austria and from Hungary was raised.—*Reuter.*

## THE MINERS' WAGE DISPUTE.

London, March 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Macdonald said the Government did not intend to introduce the miners' minimum wage Bill in order to settle the present dispute, which he hoped could be settled by industrial methods.—*Reuter.*

## BOMBAY MILLS RESUMING.

Bombay, March 24.

Work has been resumed at all except eight cotton mills.—*Reuter.*

## DOCK STRIKE SETTLED.

Hamburg, March 24.

The dock strike has been settled.—*Reuter.*

## THE RUSSIAN ZOO

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## AMERICAN AIRCRAFT.

Washington, March 24.

The House of Representatives has passed a resolution authorising an investigation into the aircraft industry in the United States, also the army, navy and postal air services.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## FOOD FOR FRAUS AND KINDER.

Washington, March 24.

The House of Representatives has passed a resolution to appropriate ten million dollars for the purchase of foodstuffs for women and children in Germany.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## SOUTH AMERICAN HOTHEADS.

Buenos Aires, March 24.

General Justo, Minister of War, and Dellepiane, Commander of the Garrison, have fought a duel, both being seriously wounded. The Minister's criticism of the army caused the quarrel.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## COULD NOT LOWER BRITISH FLAG.

New York, March 24.

The American women's hockey team has returned from Europe. The members spoke highly of their British opponents' play. The only victory gained by the American team was in Paris.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## GERMAN TOYMAKERS FOR CANADA.

Montreal, March 24.

A hundred German immigrants arrived during the week-end, and twenty expert German toymakers, with their families, are expected shortly, in connection with the proposal to start a local toy factory.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## ALLEGED STEAMER THEFT.

### ASSISTANT COMPRADORE CHARGED.

An interesting case concerning the theft of rice from a B. & S. steamer came before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Police Court this morning.

The defendant on a charge of theft of 10 sacks of rice from the steamer Tean is an assistant compradore of the vessel. This man, whose name is Tam Kuen, appeared this morning in conjunction with another man who is charged with acting as the receiver for the rice.

Mr. McCallum prosecuted for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and applied for a remand.

In remanding the case until next week, his Worship fixed bail at $1,000 for each of the defendants.

## HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club against the East Surreys at the U.S.R.C. on Wednesday, at 5.15 p.m.:—P. W. F. Mills, F. Wheeler, G. Murray, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. L. Sim, G. R. More, R. E. A. Webster, W. Woodward, A. Dyer Ball, B. D. Evans (Capt.)

The following will represent the Club Second against the East Surreys Second at Sookunpoo on Wednesday, at 5.15 p.m.:—A. Bower, W. H. Edmonds (Capt.), A. V. T. Dean, G. H. Piercy, the Rev. N. Evans, F. Schnepel, D. Lyon, F. H. Holdman, H. Meacock, A. C. L. Bowker, T. R. Rowell.

### LION-AND-BULL FIGHT.

A Shorthorn bull belonging to Mr. Lex Smith, a farmer in the Nanyuki district of Kenya, is the hero of a fight with a lion in which the lion came off second best, although the bull was severely injured. The bull was found exhausted in the morning, lying under a tree. One shoulder was badly torn, his face was deeply clawed and gashed, and part of his tail was missing. One of his horns was covered in blood up to the root, and the ground all around was churned up, while the tree trunk was decorated by tufts of lion hair.


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## BILLIARDS.

### FIRST ROUND RESULT.

In the first round of the billiards competition for the championship of the Colony at the V. R. C. last night, Mr. P. S. Leung beat Mr. C. N. Tsan by 800 to 651. Mr. Leung made breaks of 47, 40 (2), 36, and 34, while Mr. Tsan's best was 28. This evening Mr. Ho Shi-cheong will meet Mr. R. Luz in a match of 800 up, the game commencing at 6 p.m.

### Ho Kom Tong Cups.

Mr. J. H. Oxberry, the proprietor of the Palace Hotel, who has in hand the arrangements for the Ho Kom Tong Cup Handicap, advises that the event has been postponed in order not to clash with the Colony championship matches, which are now in progress.

It was previously announced that entries would close on March 25th, but the date has now been extended to July 9th.

## CARNATION MILK.

### From Famous Herd.

In our issue of the 21st instant we published the picture of a famous milk cow Segis Petertje Prospect. This magnificent animal is closely associated with the herd at the Carnation Milk Farms, where there are thirty cows which average 2,711 gallons of milk each in a year, this figure comparing with the average throughout the States of 349 gallons per annum. A large percentage of this famous herd are either daughters or granddaughters of the bull King Segis 10th, which bull is the sire of the world's greatest milk cow—Segis Petertje Prospect. This latter cow has some wonderful records to her credit, including the supply of an average of 9.6 gallons of milk per day for 730 days. Compared with America's 22 million dairy cows, she has yielded 198 gallons more in one year than her nearest competitor.

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### LONDON CENTENARIAN.

Mrs. Jefferys, a doctor's widow of 36, Lewisham-road, Dartmouth Park Hill, N.W., celebrated her 100th birthday recently. She was was born in Jersey on February 7, 1824. Mrs. Jeffery's who on her birthday received congratulatory messages from the King and the Bishop of London, enjoys excellent health, takes a keen interest in current affairs, and is still able to read without the assistance of glasses.

## OUTCASTS OF JAPAN.

### National Meeting in Kyoto.

More than 800 delegates from all parts of the country attended the third national convention of the Suiheisha, a national organization of social outcasts, which was held this month at the Public Hall in Okazaki Park, Kyoto. The delegates, accompanied by thousands of Suiheisha members, paraded through important sections of the city carrying Suiheisha flags and streamers. The campaign committee distributed 250,000 hand bills throughout the city by 20 automobiles.

Heated discussions took place during the meeting, and it was thrown into confusion several times. The visitors' section in the hall was packed to overflowing by leaders of various labour organizations and others interested in the cause of the Suiheisha. Mr. Sakai and a party of about 10 socialists in the visitors' section were taken to the Kawabata police station before the meeting opened.

The convention, presided over by Mr. Minami, chairman of the central committee, passed many important bills including those demanding the recognition of Russia and the establishment of co-operation with a Korean organization demanding equality of races. It also passed a bill demanding Prince Tokugawa to relinquish his title. A committee was appointed to open negotiation with the Prince.

One of the delegates offered a resolution of congratulations in the name of the Suiheisha to Mahatma Gandhi, famous Indian revolutionist who was liberated recently. The motion started a heated debate and it was finally laid on the table. A bill demanding the segregation in primary schools of children of Suiheisha from the rest of school children was rejected on the ground that there is no use in making such a demand while the Cabinet of Peers is in power.

A bill asking for the extension of the Women's Suiheisha was introduced by Miss Kaneko Takaoka, 17 years old, representing the Kyushu branch of the Suiheisha. She made an eloquent appeal, declaring that women members of the Suiheisha have attempted to liberate all women from the yoke imposed upon them in Japan. The bill was unanimously approved. During the evening session a bill was introduced condemning the alleged "grasping" policy of the Nishi and Higashi Hongwan temples. A bill defining the attitude of the Suiheisha toward universal suffrage was tabled after heated discussions.—*Japan Advertiser.*

### THE EIGHTH WONDER.

The eighth wonder of the world has been found living in Tokyo—a servant who has remained with the same family for 64 years! Miss Imako Otabe, 81 years old, has been given a lacquered cup by the Tokyo prefectural government in appreciation of her faithful unbroken service as maid in the family of Count Yoshimichi Satake in Shibuya, a Tokyo suburb.


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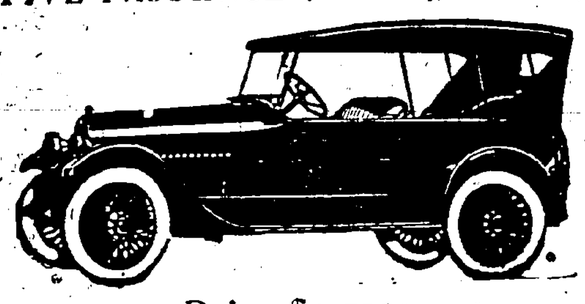

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# CAMERA NEWS.

Flags of all nations saluted when Olympic games opened at Chamonix, France.

President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge are shown photographed in front of the Women's National Republican Club headquarters, New York City. The executive came to Gotham to speak, and sounded the keynote of his campaign for re-election.

Mr. J. P. Morgan, the banker, has given to the public his great private library, with an estimated worth of several millions of dollars. It contains about 25,000 volumes and paintings. Exterior is seen above.

Erected by the women of America, the first monument ever erected to a woman by women, this shaft marks the grave of Mary Washington, mother of the country's first president.

View of interior of J. P. Morgan private library in New York City, worth about $8,000,000, which the financier has given to the public.

Photo shows Professor Pierre Laucau, head of the Egyptian Antiquity Department, outside one of the entrances of King Tut's tomb.

This is one of the two Australian wombats which have just arrived at the London Zoo.

The giant U. S. dirigible Shenandoah is being rebuilt, following its disastrous flight when it broke from its mooring in a storm. Photo shows the extent of the repairs being made in Lakehurst.

# EXTRA.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 1924.

# CMAMBER OF COMMERCE.

## The Piracy Problem Analysed.

## INTERESTING REVIEW OF TRADE.

## The Colony's Wireless Needs.

A comprehensive review of the activities of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was given by the Chairman (Mr. D. G. M. Bernard) at the annual general meeting of members held in the old Chamber of Commerce room, City Hall, yesterday afternoon. Such important questions as piracy regulations, military lands, telephones, mail service, wireless communications and harbour administration were dealt with at length and an interesting review of local trade during past year was given.

Mr. Bernard was supported by the members of the Committee. The firms represented were as under:

J. M. Alves and Co. (Mr. J. M. Alves), Arculli Bros. (Mr. V. Currem), Arnhold and Co., Ltd. (Mr. E. Monteith Webb), Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co., Ltd. (Mr. W. S. Bailey), Bradley and Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. A. Plummer), British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd. (Messrs. H. S. Parkinson and F. A. Perry), Brunner Mond and Co., Ltd. (Mr. G. F. Haslam), Butterfield and Swire (Mr. G. T. Edkins), Canadian Pacific S.S. Ltd. (Mr. L. E. H. Ryan), China and Japan Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. P. Sherry), Commercial Union Assurance Co., Ltd. (Mr. R. K. Hepburn), S. J. David and Co. (Mr. O. I. Ellis), Deacons (Mr. W. E. L. Shenton), Dodwell and Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. P. Warren), Dickson Parker and Co., Ltd. (Mr. J. Norman Parker), Eastern Asbestos Co. (Mr. K. S. Morrison), Eastern Extension A. and C. Telegraph Co. (Mr. M. E. F. Airey), Fung Tang (Mr. Wong Tak-kwong), Gerin Dreward and Co. (Mr. E. C. Rosselet), Gibb Livingston and Co., Ltd. (Mr. C. G. Mackie), Gilman and Co., Ltd. (Mr. C. Blaker), Goddard and Douglas (Capt. T. Arthur), T. M. Gregory and Co. (Mr. H. Gregory), T. E. Griffith Ltd. (Mr. P. A. Dixon), Handelmaatschappij "Transmarina" (Mr. D. H. te Wechel), W. A. Hannibal and Co. (Mr. John Robertson), Holyoak, Massey and Co., Ltd. (Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak), Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. (Mr. J. Arnold), Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. (Mr. F. R. Marsh), Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Mr. A. G. Stephen), Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. (Mr. R. M. Dyer), J. D. Hutchison and Co. (Messrs. T. E. Pearce and P. S. Cassidy), Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Mr. R. Sutherland), Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. (Mr. D. C. M. Bernard), Kailan Mining Administration (Mr. C. A. Peal), Kern and Co. (Mr. S. Kern), Lowe, Bingham and Matthews (Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe), W. R. Loxley and Co. (Mr. D. Russell), Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co. (Mr. C. G. Mackie), J. Manners and Co., Ltd. (Mr. S. L. Hidden), A. B. Morlder and Co., Ltd. (Mr. Wong Oi-kut), Mr. A. G. da Rocha, J. M. da Rocha and Co. (Mr. J. M. da Rocha), Royal Insurance Co., Ltd. (Mr. W. L. Pattenden), Rudolf, Wolff and Kew (Messrs. C. H. W. Kew and A. F. Kew), David Sassoon and Co., Ltd. (Mr. R. L. Greensmith), E. D. Sassoon and Co., Ltd. (Mr. F. Lobel), Shewan Tomes and Co. (Mr. A. K. Shields), H. Skott and Co. (Mr. G. E. Wetton), De Sousa and Co., Ltd. (Mr. E. de Sousa), Mr. M. P. Talati, Harry Wicking and Co. (Mr. J. Owen Hughes), with the acting Secretary (Mr. M. F. Key).

### The Chairman's Speech.

The acting Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said: Gentlemen—The Report of the General Committee and the Statement of Accounts have been in your hands for some days and you will have observed from them, that the past year has called for a great deal of work on the part of your Committee, Sub-Committees and staff, to whom I tender my hearty thanks for their loyal support during my year of office. To the Shipping Sub-Committee especially I am indebted for their careful consideration of and expert views on matters of the greatest importance to the trade of the Colony, particularly the questions of Piracy and Harbour Improvements.

The correspondence between the Chamber and the Government in connection with Piracy is dealt with in the Committee's Report. I think, however, that the most recent incident namely, the piracy of one of the public ferries operating between Hongkong and Kowloon, which was seized and taken from the centre of the Harbour shortly after dark, calls for comment. On more than one occasion the Chamber has urged the need for an increase in Harbour patrols in connection with the question of pilferage and as long ago as the 11th January, 1921, we wrote to the Government:

"It is notoriously a fact that the night launches employed by the Harbour Police are slow and there are not sufficient of them on duty at one time. So much is this so that the return of the patrol-boat can be accurately estimated by those seeking to avoid detection. Particularly is this so by night and it is suggested that a couple of fast motor-boats, occasionally running with 'lights out' would very quickly result in the capture of craft on the move without just cause." (Applause).

Since the date of that letter, three launches have been added to the Water Police service, but, on the other hand, one of the old ones has been discarded, thus making the net gain only two. These are both eleven knot boats, completed in 1923. Apart from the four launches which cruise outside the Harbour, and the shallow-draft motor boat on the river at Shumchun, there are five launches and two motor boats working in the Harbour—three launches on patrol beats, one on general patrol and one in reserve. Arrangements have now been made for the launches to work across the Harbour from North to South, instead of up and down from East to West, so as to control the exits more completely. Nevertheless, it is a question which I hope the Government will consider as to whether the patrol service I have described is adequate for so extensive an area as the Harbour, comprising at it does, ten square miles, and in which are plying innumerable small craft of all descriptions. In my opinion, the ingenuity and audacity of the pirate organisations renders an increase even more necessary to-day. It should be made impossible for them to commit any of their depredations in the Harbour, at any rate with impunity.

### The New Regulations.

Turning now to the Regulations under the Piracy Prevention Ordinance, the Chamber responded to the request of the Government by giving its views on the draft Regulations; but wishes it to be clearly understood that it does not regard the Ordinance, with its provision of grilles, guards, extensive and expensive alterations to construction of existing vessels, as the final word in the fight against piracy. The Chamber regards it only as a measure which, if carried out as far as is reasonably practicable, will serve to minimise the danger.

We are confident that the shipping companies and the officers on board the vessels are ready and willing to co-operate to the utmost with the Government, in putting into effect measures designed to prevent piracy; but we look, with reason, to the Government for more complete measures to be taken in the danger zones outside the ships themselves.

Convoys, I may say, do not appeal to your Committee as a method which would fit in with the practical running of the various steamship companies owning vessels of differing speeds; nor does the Committee think it consonant with the dignity of the British Government, here and at Home, that war conditions should be established in times of peace, in order to avoid piracies which could well be countered by other means. There is no doubt that convoying could be usefully employed to a certain extent, but it would not be practicable to place the whole of the shipping concerned under convoy orders.

### Mr. Sutherland's Scheme.

In view of the fact that pirates generally embark as passengers, after surreptitiously conveying arms on board—sometimes possibly amongst the cargo—Mr. Sutherland has put forward a scheme for a central embarking and disembarking station for all passenger vessels trading with the Canton Delta. The Committee approves the idea in principle as a means of facilitating the work of the police in searching, intercepting opium and arms smugglers and other undesirables, besides aiding the public health service in times of epidemic. The proposal is one which cannot be adopted without due consideration of shipping conditions as a whole, or without due regard to the practical and economical working of the steamers concerned. These are factors which would need to be provided for in developing the scheme, and if it can be made to dovetail into existing shipping organisations without injuring economic working, the proposal has much to commend it.

I may here say that we are not satisfied that more could not be done by the police at the present time in searching passengers, etc., and also in ferreting out the organisations which—judging from the way the attacks are carried out—appear to make their plans in Hongkong. (Applause). The whole difficulty in putting an end to piracy lies in the fact that the pirates are able to take refuge in Chinese territory and there they are free from molestation. There is no new characteristic that has been developed; we find from the earliest days that there have been numbers of people along the waterways ready to become pirates when a suitable opportunity was presented with little risk attached. The only effective action that can be taken to stamp out this evil is by following the offenders, apprehending them in their native haunts and meting out exemplary punishment. (Applause). Our views, therefore, are that to put an end to the present deplorable state of affairs it is necessary to round up the pirates on shore, and it was with this object in view, that the resolution, printed on page 5 of the Report, was submitted to the meeting of the Associated Chambers in Shanghai last month. Next to this, the first essential is an adequate number of Naval patrols which will make the attacks more hazardous and thereby act as a deterrent.

### Wireless.

Questions connected with wireless development have occupied the attention of your Committee during the year from several aspects. It is satisfactory to know that practically all the Naval vessels on the China Station are now fitted with wireless, and we are indebted to Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson for the interest he has taken in this matter. But we have had occasion to comment on the fact that these vessels still have an inadequate wireless staff, which means that wireless communication cannot be maintained throughout the 24 hours—a serere handicap. Members will note with pleasure, in regard to the continual interruption of the land lines to Canton, that the Commodore is prepared to sanction the transmission of private messages by Naval wireless, when the ordinary methods of communication have broken down, provided the messages are forwarded through the Chamber.

I am glad to note that since the arrival in the Colony of the Government's adviser on wireless questions—Mr. L. H. King—considerable improvements have been made at Cape D'Aguilar. A considerable quantity of the most up-to-date wireless gear has been ordered from Home, and will be installed before the end of the year. Cape D'Aguilar will then be able to guarantee a radius of 1,000 miles, and probably a 2,000 miles radius will be attainable. Hongkong will then be in constant wireless communication with Manila, Singapore and Shanghai. At the present time the station is communicating with Canton, Kwong Chow Wan, and Swatow, and could handle double the amount of traffic now offering. New masts to replace those destroyed by typhoon last year are expected to be in position next May. Meanwhile, with two temporary 70 ft. masts, communication is being constantly maintained with stations and ships a very considerable distance away. It must be remembered that the distances at which communication is possible with steamers depend entirely on the power of the apparatus carried by the steamer. If the steamer's apparatus has a range of only 100 miles, the steamer is out off from Cape D'Aguilar beyond that distance. Since January 1st the station has established communication with 33 ships at over 1,000 miles, 6 ships at over 1,250 miles, 1 ship at over 1,500 miles, and 1 ship (the Laconia) at over 2,000 miles.

With regard to broadcasting here, I understand that the issue of a licence has been definitely forbidden by the Imperial Government, pending the trial of arrangements as at present in force in Great Britain; but this question has recently been referred to the authorities at home in order to obtain, if possible, permission to deal with the situation locally.

### Shipping.

Coming now to general questions concerning shipping, your Committee, on the invitation of the Government, devoted much time to the consideration of Harbour Improvements, arising out of the Report by Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice. A very full account of these discussions was issued to the Press in October and I will not attempt a resume now. The typhoon of August 18th occurred whilst this matter was under consideration and the alarming risks to which shipping was subjected on that occasion led to the suggestion of the possibility of a wet dock from which it would not be necessary for ships to move in typhoon weather, in preference to construction of the open type of wharves. As you know, the needs of the Port were very fully considered in the course of these discussions, which we hope will shortly be resumed, and a definite policy for future development determined upon. One fact, I think, has emerged very clearly, namely, that the Harbour which is vital to the development and progress of the Colony, should have an administrative department of its own, in common with other great world-ports, instead of being, in part, a branch of the Public Works Department. (Applause).

The improvement of the storm signal service has also received a great deal of attention. It has proved much more difficult than it should be to secure adequate interchange of messages between the Observatories of the Far East. We have urged, on many occasions, that the closest co-operation ought to exist in this matter between the Observatories of Hongkong and Zikawei, but the months go by and nothing seems to be done.

Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector General of the Chinese Customs, has kindly interested himself in the question of a Meteorological and Wireless Station on the Pratas Shoal and I am glad to say that he informs us that the Chinese Admiralty is prepared to install and man a suitable station. The Shoal, you will remember, is right in the track of typhoons coming across the China Sea, and the station will be of the utmost value in giving warning to Hongkong and the South Coast of China of the approach of a typhoon. It is to be sincerely hoped therefore that this scheme will be carried out at an early date. (Applause).

### Commander Beckwith.

Before leaving matters connected with shipping, I must express the regret that is felt at the enforced retirement, through ill-health, of the Harbour Master, Commander Beckwith. (Applause). An expression of the Chamber's appreciation of his services was conveyed to him before he left the Colony. During the many years in which he has been connected with the Port he has done a great deal towards improving conditions in the Harbour, and it is gratifying that the Government accepted our suggestion to name after him the fog signal off Tathong Point, which he was instrumental in establishing, and which will, therefore, remain as a permanent memorial of his work. (Applause). He was also a great advocate of a powerful rescue tug for use in the Harbour during typhoon weather and that we hope will be put in hand shortly.

In Commander Hake, now Acting Master, we have an officer with valuable local experience, who is well fitted to carry on the responsible duties which devolve upon him.

This seems a fitting place to mention that the foreign tonnage (exclusive of local junks and steam launches) which entered and cleared the Port during 1923 amounted to 35 millions, as compared with 29¼ millions, in round figures, in 1922. The increase amounts to 5,500,0000 tons. (Applause).

### Trade.

In reviewing some of the principal features of local trade during 1923—which I will do very briefly—I have to acknowledge the courtesy of the Imports and Exports Department in permitting me to have access to figures and information not yet published. The total of imports and exports during 1923 was 123 million pounds sterling, as compared with 122 million pounds in 1922. Quantities may be taken as six per cent. better than these figures indicate. A fall in sterling exchange, as compared with 1922, masks an actual increase in trade somewhat larger than the sterling figures show. Total imports were about 62 millions, and exports 61 millions. In spite of the prolonged political strife, internecine warfare and generally lawless conditions in South China, Hongkong's trade with the neighbouring Provinces has reached a total export of £24,999,731, a figure which is curiously close to the total of 1922, namely £24,914,072. The increase in 1923 amounts to some £86,000.

### The Railway.

There is a significant drop in the value of commodities exported by the Railway. The total was only £183,000, as compared with £340,000 in 1922. This is explained by the fact that railway communication with China was seriously impeded, owing to the commandeering of trains by Chinese soldiery. The British section of the Railway sent no express trains through Chinese territory for a total period of ten months during the year, and no slow trains during a total period of over five months.

### Rice.

Exports of Rice in 1923 were not particularly brisk, but a fair business was done throughout the year. Prices, generally speaking, have risen, but exchange has been helpful in keeping costs at attractive rates to European and, more so, to American buyers. A fair trade was done with the West Indies, principally Cuban Ports, and to the West Coast of South America; North America, however, took less than the normal amount of brokens for brewing purposes. Prices in Hongkong, in piculs, ranged from $7.00 to $8.30 for Garden Rice; $6.30 to $7.35 for Saigon Rice, and $6.85 to $7.80 for unmilled Paklins Browns.

Statements have been made that Hongkong's Rice Trade is being seriously affected by direct shipment from the exporting countries. However this may be, Hongkong imported over 20 million piculs of rice of all kinds during 1923, as compared with 18 millions in 1922 and 17 millions in 1921. Exports also show an increase.

### Wheat Flour.

Wheat flour imports have risen from 1,779,144 piculs in 1922 to 1,924,449 piculs in 1923 in spite of reports that a great deal of the flour formerly transhipped in Hongkong is now shipped direct to Outports.

### Piece Goods.

As to Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods, great changes have taken place in regard to the Fancy Trade. The old Figured and Plain Poplin business appears to be at an end, considerable business in all kinds of Fancy Woollens having taken its place. The turnover in staples shows a substantial improvement on 1922.

### Tin.

It will be noted in our Report that an unpleasant incident took place early in the year in connection with the Tin Export Trade. It was alleged by the New York Metal Exchange, in letters addressed to the Chamber and to the Government, that parcels of Chinese tin were showing on analysis a lower tin content than usual. The New York Metal Exchange was invited to send samples of shipments complained of, in order that the fullest investigation might be made. No further communication has been received from them, and it is to be regretted that general charges of this kind should be made by a responsible trade organization without any attempt to substantiate them. (Applause).

### Opium Ordinance.

An interesting correspondence will be found in the Report on the subject of an amendment to the Opium Ordinance which, your Committee felt very strongly, pressed most unfairly upon shipowners. To rebut a charge of conveying illicit opium by steamer the owner was called upon by the Section, as worded to *prove*, that "none of the officers or their servants or any of the crew were implicated therein." Of course no such proof could possibly be adduced and I am glad to say that the Chamber, after repeated representations, was able to induce the words which leaves it to the Magistrate's discretion to decide whether or not *bona fides* on the part of the shipowner has been proved to his satisfaction.

### Fraudulent Transfers.

Merchants will note with satisfaction that the Bill, proposed by the Chamber last year, to make illegal the transfer to a purchaser of the assets of a business, without the liabilities, has passed into Law. (Applause).

### Native Customs Duties.

At the Shanghai Conference last month a resolution dealing with the disparity between the duties levied by the Maritime Customs and the Native Customs was proposed by us and duly passed. China, in 1902, gave a formal undertaking that the duties and *likin* combined, levied on goods carried by junks from Hongkong to the Treaty Ports in the Canton Province, and *vice versa*, should together be not less than the duties imposed by the Chinese Maritime Customs. Nothing has been done to fulfil this undertaking in spite of frequent representations by H. M. Minister in Peking during the last twenty years. The present disparity operates as a preferential duty in favour of cargo conveyed by Chinese junks, to the detriment of shipping generally. An interesting table is printed on pages 278 and 280 of the Report showing that the differences between the two duties may amount in some cases to anything from 50 to 500 per cent. The difference will become still greater in the near future if the 2½% surtax is adopted. The Resolution recommended that, failing a revision of the Native Customs Duties, the Maritime Customs duties should be reduced to the same level.

### Arbitration Awards.

We have continued our endeavours to obtain from the General Produce Brokers' Association of London more considerate treatment of China shippers. The Arbitration Awards contain insufficient information and give no indication of the defect of the shipment. So far the Brokers' Association have only agreed to give an informal letter, if asked for, setting out the defects, but your Committee does not consider this is adequate. There are other respects in which we are asking for reform—for instance there is no "Force Majeure" Clause in the Association's Form of Contract for C.I.F. Sales of produce and the procedure generally in regard to Arbitration is unsatisfactory.

### Canton Harbour.

In the last few months we have had under consideration the question of the approaches to Canton Harbour, particularly with regard to the Silting at Taimei Crossing, and have co-operated with the Canton British Chamber in representations which we trust will lead, at least, to an amelioration of a state of affairs which constitutes a great handicap and even a positive danger to navigation.

### Trade-mark Law.

The Chamber has supported the Northern Chambers of Commerce in their protests against the proposed Chinese Trademark Law which, as considered will provide quite inadequate machinery for the protection of valuable trademark rights possessed by foreigners. The Diplomatic Body has been urged not to accept or recognise the new Law without such modifications as will provide for adequate foreign representation in the Trademark Bureau and on every Tribunal which may be called upon to give any decision affecting foreign interests in connection with Trademarks.

### The Military Lands.

It is most satisfactory to know that at last, after very many years negotiation, arrangements have been made for the resumption of certain Military lands. The rent the Colony is called upon to pay is regarded as far too high. However, certain areas such as the Detention Barracks and ground by Headquarter House are retained areas which it is essential for us have, to provide for the growth and expansion of the City. (Applause). It is to be hoped that arrangements will be made for the acquisition of other areas which, by the way, were promised by Sir John Oakley. Hongkong although the terms for resumption are so unsatisfactory, the Committee's opinion was that they should be accepted and representations made for the surrender of other reserved areas such as Kowloon Point. In this connection I should like to pay tribute to the memory of the Hon Mr. H. E. Pollock, whose untiring efforts for the public weal are well known to all. (Applause). Mr. Pollock's lucid and able statement of the Chamber's case at the last meeting of the Legislative Council cannot fail to impress the authorities at Home.

It is fitting that I should on record our acknowledgment of the improvements in the Harbour since this Chamber, with other bodies in the Far East, made representations about it. These improvements have

lected principally through the development of the overland route to Brindisi, enabling shipping documents to overtake or precede the cargo to which they relate, to the very great convenience of all concerned.

The telephone question advanced to a certain extent in 1923 inasmuch as the Telephone Company voluntarily reduced their valuation of their plant by some £65,000. The Joint Chamber of Commerce Telephone Committee, however, still consider this reduction is not adequate and representations have been made to that effect, but as yet without response. Telephone subscribers of course appreciate that their rentals must bear some reasonable relation to the value of the Capital sunk in the business and the Joint Committee are working to this end only. The main facts are in possession of the Telephone Company and until the latter satisfy the Committee of the reasonableness of their claims no further progress can be made. The Company's monopoly ceases on 31st January, 1930, and until then the Company can refuse to depart from their present attitude. Sometime before that date the Government or the Community at large must take steps to inaugurate a new system to replace the present one on its expiration, unless the present monopolists come to terms. The Telephone Company does not seem to be in any great hurry as they have not answered the Joint Committee's last letter on the subject dated 23rd April, 1923.

Up till now the issue has been between the Company and the Hongkong Government. Recently, however, local financial interests have endeavoured to negotiate with the Company; with what success is at present unknown and whether their advent will result in a quicker settlement of the question or the reverse remains to be seen.

### Japanese Earthquake.

When the extent of the disaster which occurred in Japan through the earthquake on 1st September was realised, your Committee opened a Relief Fund, and I take this opportunity of acknowledging the generous support given to the Fund by the Government, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the community generally. The Chamber lent its organisation for the purpose of administering the Fund, and our thanks are due to those members of the Chamber who acted on the Relief Committee; I would mention especially Mr. C. T. Edkins, who ably presided over the Committee and devoted a great deal of time and thought to the administration; also the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, who acted as Hon. Treasurer of the Fund. (Applause).

### Empire Exhibition.

The Chamber also placed its staff at the disposal of the Joint Chambers of Commerce Committee which has made the local arrangements for the Hongkong Section of the British Empire Exhibition. There is every reason to believe that Hongkong's contribution to what will undoubtedly be the greatest Exhibition of the kind the world has ever seen is going to be worthy of the Colony and of its commercial importance. In this connection our thanks are due to the Hon. Mr. Holyoak and those associated with him on the Hongkong Committee; also to the London Committee, Mr. H. W. Bird, and Mr. C. H. P. Hay, the Honorary Secretary, for all they have done to ensure the success of the Hongkong Section. (Applause).

### The University.

Before concluding my remarks, I should like to extend a welcome on behalf of the Chamber to the new Vice-Chancellor of the University—Mr. W. W. Hornell. His inaugural address was heard with great interest and I am sure that the University may look for steady progress under his guidance. We have taken the opportunity, in our Report, to place on record our tribute to Sir William Brunyate's important services to the University and its staff, particularly in the direction of financial reorganisation and the establishment of a superannuation fund. Mr. Hornell may rest assured that the University will always receive the moral and material support of this Chamber.

### Dr. Pearce's Work.

I should like, also, to offer a word of congratulation to the Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce on the well merited honour conferred upon him during the year for signal services to education in this Colony. (Applause). We are ourselves indebted to Dr. Pearce for the very able manner in which he has during the last few years conducted the classes maintained by the Chamber for giving instruction in Cantonese. The importance to young commercial men of a speaking knowledge of Chinese can hardly be over-estimated and I commend these classes to the support and interest of mercantile firms.

### Finance.

The financial statement is before you and, I think, calls for no special comment beyond drawing attention to the fact that, owing to dearth of students at the Chinese Language School during the year, that institution owes the Chamber $2,303. Unless the School is able to pay off the debt during the next two years, I suggest it should be written off Reserve Account in yearly instalments.

### The Secretary.

Gentlemen: It is a matter of much regret to your Committee and I am sure to all the Members of the Chamber, and the Colony generally that, owing to ill-health, our Secretary, Mr. Blair, has been medically advised to seek rest and recuperation in Europe and will be leaving the Colony at the end of this week. The work of the past two years has been particularly heavy and far surpassed that of previous years. The strain, especially during the strike period, when he was carrying on single-handed, has told severely on him and no doubt hastened this breakdown, which we trust is only of a temporary nature. Many here can speak with greater knowledge than I can of the energetic and efficient services which Mr. Blair has rendered to this Chamber for many years. (Applause). His judgment, discretion and long acquaintance with local conditions have always been of the greatest value. Under the circumstances your Committee has granted Mr. Blair Home leave, a decision which I am sure, Members will readily endorse, and it is our earnest hope that the trip home to his family and a long rest from the very active life he has followed here will renew his health and fit him again to take up his duties with the same energy and enthusiasm as heretofore. Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews will in the interim carry on the secretarial organisation, with the Acting Assistant Secretary, Mr. Key, who for nearly two years has proved his value in the Secretariat, in that capacity. (Applause).

I now beg to propose that the Report and Accounts, as presented, be adopted, and after that motion has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which Members may wish to put.

### Seconder's Speech.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden: Mr. Chairman and gentlemen: The very interesting address to which we have just listened and the contents of the volume containing the record of the Chamber's activities bear striking testimony to the strenuous work of the Committee and Secretariat during the past year, one in which many important questions have been under consideration.

I should like to express on behalf of the General Members our indebtedness to the Chairman and the General and other Committees, also to the Secretariat for the work that has been so efficiently done.

You, Sir, rightly laid special stress on the need for effective measures to counter the piratical attacks so constantly made upon local shipping, even within the waters of the Harbour, and I venture to suggest that events of the past few weeks point to the fact that the present patrol service in the harbour limits is quite inadequate.

Although the Imperial Government has decided not to proceed with the proposed Naval Base at Singapore, a decision I feel most of us deplore, it is to be hoped that they will not be averse to a comparatively speaking small expenditure very necessary for counter-acting dangers threatening British interests in China to-day.

### Naval Protection.

As you have said, Sir, our most urgent need is for increased Naval protection, particularly in the form of patrols of trade routes which, we all remember, have proved highly effective in quelling piracy in the past. I am sure we are all in agreement, too, with the Resolution submitted by this Chamber to the recent Chambers of Commerce Conference in Shanghai urging that, in view of the powerlessness of China to deal with evil-doers, nests of pirates should be cleared out by punitive measures employed by Foreign Powers. Such action will be as much in the interests of China as of our own, for it must not be forgotten that the Chinese, after all, are the chief sufferers from piracy. I hope, Sir, that before the next annual meeting of the Chamber we shall have advanced a long way towards a solution of this very serious problem.

### The Military Lands.

The question of the removal of the military establishments has been very frequently mentioned in these meetings and at last the first steps are to be taken towards accomplishing this desirable end; though, I must say, with you, Sir, that the satisfaction we might have felt is greatly modified by consideration of the heavy price we are to pay for what is, after all, only a partial realisation of our hopes, and at a very distant date which many of us will not be here to see. I hope that success will attend the negotiation for revision of the onerous conditions imposed upon us. I join most heartily in acknowledgment of our indebtedness to Mr. Pollock for his able spokesmanship for the Colony in this as in so many other public questions.

### Typhoons.

It is to be regretted that there is still so little close cooperation between the Hongkong and Zikawei Observatories so necessary for an improvement in the Storm Signal Service, but it is very satisfactory to learn that Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector General of Chinese Customs, has kindly interested himself in the questions of a Meteorological Wireless Station for the Pratas Shoal, which I think I am correct in saying has for a long time past been advocated by this Chamber. I most sincerely trust that by this time next year we may hear that the scheme is on the way, at all events, to being carried out.

### Wireless.

I will not attempt to touch upon all the questions to which reference has been made this afternoon, but I would endorse what the Chairman has said as to the wireless needs of the Colony, especially in view of the constant interruption of land lines owing to lawless condition in the interior. The offer of the Naval authorities to place wireless facilities at the disposal of commercial firms, I am sure, is appreciated by all. I am glad to note, also, that endeavours are still being made to establish more satisfactory relations between China Shippers and the General Produce Brokers' Association of London. Merchants in China are seeking reforms in arbitration procedure and other matters which, I consider, are perfectly reasonable and necessary under modern conditions of business.

### Appreciation.

Members of the Chamber, I am sure, will regret very much the Secretary's breakdown in health. Mr. Blair has been active and zealous in the Chamber's interests for many years, and is a valued member of the community by reason of the keen and helpful interest he has taken in many local organisations. His organising abilities will be greatly missed. I am sure we all hope that a year's rest and recuperation in a better climate will restore Mr. Blair to health and strength and that we shall see him again in Hongkong ready to enter with his wonted zest into the life of the Colony. (Applause).

With these few remarks I beg to second the adoption of the Report and Accounts.

### Piracy.

Mr. W. S. Bailey discussing the subject of piracy, said: I am requested, Sir, to speak to-day on the subject of piracy as outlined in the very full report of this Chamber and as summarised in your comprehensive speech. I think, Sir, the general feeling regarding piracy is one of strong indignation at the repeated loss of life and property and of injury to the most vital industry of the Colony, besideh the injury to the prestige of our Flag. It is with feelings almost of shame that we must admit, despite the undoubted efforts of our authorities, our failure to bring to justice any of the perpetrators of these murders and robberies; to recover any of the stolen property, or to safeguard the lives of the captains, officers, and crews of vessels trading in our waters. The relative merits of grills, patrols and convoy systems have been so far discussed without any apparent reduction in piracy, and much more effective means appear imperative.

I suggest, Sir, in the first place there be put in force at once a more efficient search of Chinese passengers embarking from, and arriving at this port; secondly, the continued use of grills as far as practicable, with the arming of officers, thirdly, extension of convoys and naval patrols as recommended by this Chamber, also the more general use of wireless telegraphy both ashore and afloat; fourthly, an agreement with the Customs, and Chinese Government by which pirates may be traced, apprehended and punished in China. (Applause).

### Harbour Improvements.

I have read with much interest the report of Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice on the proposed Harbour improvements scheme and the correspondence connected therewith contained in the annual report of this Chamber, and I think you will not dispute the great advantage to this Colony of adequate wharfage enabling vessels to discharge directly into godowns and so avoid the loss of time, material and the delays incident to our present system. In this connection, I would endorse generally the scheme submitted to this Chamber by Mr. Sutherland, referred to in the report, and since submitted in detail to the Government. This scheme would contribute largely not only to the safety of the travelling public but to the prevention of lawlessness in the Colony, besides greatly simplyfing and expediting the work of the Health Authorities and so chacking the introduction of infection and disease generally into the Colony.

It is an anomaly that Hongkong is practically the only port of importance in which no control is exercised over those entering or leaving the Colony, and I may say, situated as we are adjacent to that great Chinese centre, Canton, with its teeming millions, that there is no port in the world where some such control is so imperative to the safety and well being of the inhabitants. (Applause). Shortly, Sir, I think any expenditure we can afford in the maintenance of law and order, and in the fullest development of this fine port, which nature has entrusted to us, will be well repaid by security, increased volume of trade and revenue and by the attraction of capital to the Colony with resulting benefits to both this and future generations. (Applause).

The Chairman then put the resolution to the Committee and declared it unanimously carried.

### The Committee.

On the proposition of Mr. T. E. Pearce, seconded by Mr. A. L. Shields, the following were elected to serve on the Committee for the ensuing year:

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Messrs. C. Montague Ede, G. M. Young, J. Owen Hughes, C. G. S. Mackie, J. A. Plummer, N. L. Watson, and J. P. Warren.

### New Members.

The confirmation of the election of the following members during 1923 was agreed to on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. G. T. Edkins: the P. and O. Banking Corporation, Nam Hing Yuen Hong, Societe Francais de Gerance, Messrs. Holyoak, Massey and Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Davie Boag and Co. Ltd.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded.

**Mr. Bernard Re-elected Chairman.**

At a meeting of the Committee following the annual meeting, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard was reelected Chairman on the proposition of Mr. J. A. Plummer seconded by Mr. J. P. Warren, Mr. N. L. Watson was elected Vice-Chairman, the resolution being moved by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

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### JAPANESE ROUTE MARCH.

The Japanese Legation Guard was to undertake a march between Peking and Tientsin on March 17th. The march was to be undertaken on war footing and 34 soldiers commanded by 4 officers were to carry with them a number of tents and other articles necessary for bivouacs. They were to cover the distances between Peking and Tientsin in 6 days and return to Peking on the 24th, taking a train on their return trip.

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

### ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING.

A very large attendance of friends were present at the annual prize-giving of St. Mary's School, held in St. Patrick's Hall at 5.30 yesterday. The hall was gay with bunting and palms, and the stage gave ample room for the display of the pupils' talent in a charming little musical entertainment prior to the distribution. In this, Miss M. Eca Silva, and Miss C. Horley won applause for their brilliant piano playing, and a very juvenile quartette acted a scene the action of which was represented as being in the operating room of a dental surgeon, with all the aplomb and assurance of experienced grown ups. The titbit in the evening was a song scene, of which 20 of the school's tiniest appeared, garbed in the costumes of every nation known to dolldom, and which was very enthusiastically received. The Revd. Father Valtorta, Inspector of Catholic Schools, then read the Headmistress' report, in which mention was made to the collapse of the Kindergarten Hall, whereby the school was rendered unable to meet the demands made upon it for the admission of new pupils. In the University Local examination, three seniors passed, two obtaining distinction; Miss M. Rosario in music, and Miss E. Bliss in stenography. Seven juniors passed, Miss A. Silva with distinction in drawing. The first aid classes, and the evening school for shorthand and typewriting had been a great success. Thanks were tendered to Revd. Father Spada, Revd. Father Augustin and all members of St. Patricks Club for the use of the hall. The Revd. Father Spada, Pro-Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, then presented the prizes, and in a speech at the conclusion of the ceremony said that he was pleased to see the school, although of comparatively recent foundation, had already outgrown its swaddling clothes, and now had an enrolment of over 250. The Inspector of Schools in his report had specially commended the drawing and written work of the pupils, and although it usually took some time to build a 'top class', St. Mary's had already achieved that. He hoped that many of the girls who passed the University Matriculation examination would take advantage of the facilities for higher education thus brought within their reach. A girl should be taught, as Spencer said, 'complete living', not mere 'accomplishments'; therefore education should include the principles of domestic science, and economy, and the arts and crafts of a skilfully managed household. Excursions to places of historical, geographical, and scientific interest were highly educative, and he was persuaded that the Sisters were working along the right lines in organising such excursions. So it was also with the cinema and magic lantern, judiciously used. On behalf of the citizens of Kowloon and himself he thanked the Sisters for the excellent work that was being done in St. Mary's School.

A scholar then addressed the audience, and expressed the thanks of the school in general for the interest which had been evinced, by their attendance and the reception of their entertainment.

Among those present were Mr. G. N. Orme, Director of Education, Revd. Father Robert, and Mr. J. M. Alves.

### Prize Winners

Prize for Biblical Knowledge.—Clotilde Hyndman.

Lugard Scholarship for the year 1924-25.—Albertina Garcia.

Dr. A. S. Gomes K. St. G. Scholarship for regular attendance.—Misses Margiorie White, Laura Gomes, Winny Lo, Esther Carvalho, Emilia Carvalho; Alda Ng, Aurea Remedios, Fatumesha Yumankan and Marmin Sak.

Class 1.—Senior Local Certificates and prizes, Marie Rosario distinction in music, Eileen Bliss distinction in Stenography, Avelina Souza.

Class 2.—Laura Gomes, Cissy Noronha, Ida Oliveira, Clotilde Hyndman, Lycia Osmund, Angelina Silva (distinction in drawing), Stella Silva.

Class 3.—1, Albertina Garcia; 2, Celeste Gill; 3, Winny Lo; Carmelita Britte. Certificates of Merit.—Alda Alves and Eliza Alvares.

Class 4.—1, Maria Remedios; 2, Olga Ribeiro; 3, Teresa Sanches: Dulce D'Aquino and Esther Carvalho. Certificates of Merit, Caroline Ribeiro, Maria Atlanza, Augusta Remedios and Thelma Assumption.

Class 5.—1, Emilia Carvalho and Sarah Remedios; 2, Regina Ribeiro; 3, Annie Yeung; Cynthia Remedios and Alda Britto; Olga Eca Silva. Certificates of Merit, Carmen Ribeiro, Dulce Ribeiro and Domitilla Souza and Emily Silva.

Class 6.—1, Cynthia Alves and Isabel Pestonji; 2, Alda Ng; 3, Elvira Rosario and Ignes Remedios; Graciana Fuertes. Certificates of Merit, Margarita Xavier and Genevieve Mohamed.

Class 7.—1, Julia Yao; 2, Etelvira Ribeiro and Ida Noronha; 3, Elsa Britto, Edriz D'Aquino, Lucy Jorge, Certificates of Merit, Rita Xavier, Katheleen Maxwell and Olaida Remedios.

Class 8.—1, Pureza da Eca; 2, Armina Abdula; 3, Teresa Gonsalves and Alice Remedios; Olga Ribeiro and Sarah Abdulla; Marmin Sak; Certificates of Merit, Cynthia Garcia, Maria Mattes and Irenea Chaves.

Class 9.—1, Ena Alves and Beatrice Pestonji; Zaida Barros, Mary Figeiredo, Babsie O'Sullivan, Constance Gomes, Philomena Chaves, Palmirita Yvanovich, Rahima Jumankan, Thelma Rosario, Yolanda Silva and Norah Gill.

Class 10.—Mercia Xavier, Augusta Guterres, Irene Botelho, Alfred Ablong, Betty Collin, Alberto Xavier, Alzira Yvanovich and Mira Noronha, Ena Campos, Cinia Remedios, Lucy West, Gladis Maxwell, Hazel O'Sullivan, Jane Allum and Olivia Yao.

Prizes for music.—Pepita Lawrence, Maria Eca Silva, Eilee Bliss and Ida Eca Silva and Cissy Xavier.

## CHURCH IN CHINA.

### SYNOD AT CANTON.

Last Wednesday the House of Bishops and the House of Representatives met in joint session as the Board of Missions of the Chinese Church, in Synod at Canton.

From the time of its foundation the Chinese Church has recognised that responsibility for missionary work rests upon every member of the Church. The sphere chosen for work was the province of Shensi and a start was made in the provincial, Sianfu. It was carried on there entirely by a Chinese staff and supported by Chinese offerings. It is hoped soon to place it under the leadership of a Chinese Bishop.

In the absence of the President, Bishop Norris presented the third triennial report of the board of Missions. It showed that real progress was being made at Sianfu, the total number of baptised being 980 while a boys school was flourishing with 190 boys. Financial support for the Shensi mission was obtained by assessing each diocese at a certain figure which it is expected to raised each year. For the past three years the total assessment has been $7,000. In 1923 the actual sum raised was $6,963. All the 1923 amounts had not been received, the report stated, but it was expected that the amount would exceed the assessment. As the work increases more money is required and the Executive Committee asked that the assessment be raised to $10,000 but after some doubt had been expressed it was lowered to $8,500.

The Bishop of Singapore spoke on the work of the church among Chinese in the dioceses of Singapore, Labuan, Sarawak and the Philippines and it was agreed that each of these dioceses be allowed to send one clerical ans one lay representative to the triennial synod of the Chinese church with the right of speaking but not voting in the house of delegates.

At later sessions much of the time of the house was occupied in the revision of the canons of the Chinese church. Those which aroused the most interest and the keenest debate were those dealing with the formation of new dioceses and the appointment of assistant bishops. New canons were passed dealing with the work of deaconnesses.

## A JURYMAN'S EXCUSE.

### SERVED TWICE IN ONE WEEK.

When a jury was called in the Supreme Court yesterday Mr. Ernest Kern applied to the Chief Justice to be excused from serving. He said he had served two days in the previous week in the Puisne Judge's court and also said his partner from Manila was in the Colony for a few days.

In reply to His Lordship, Mr. Kern said his business was imports and exports.

His Lordship refused to excuse Mr. Kern, saying the case would only take about two hours.

## LOCAL WEDDING.

### HARRIS—BURCH.

The wedding took place at the Peak Church on Sunday afternoon of Mr. Richard Vittorio Harris, of Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co., to Miss Olive Ethel Burch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Burch, of Rodelyffe, Sutton, Surrey.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. A. E. Martin, was prettily attired in a gown of brown ninon trimmed with gold lace and fur and carried a bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Mrs. A. E. Martin as Matron of Honour. Mrs. Martin wore a dress of grey moracain and georgette and her bouquet consisted of pink roses.

Mr. F. G. Walker was "best man," and the ushers were Messrs. P. S. Cassidy and C. A. Peel.

A reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin at No. 108, The Peak, at the conclusion of the ceremony. The bride's going-away dress was of coffee coloured georgette with moracain coat of the same shade.

## THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

### NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY APPOINTED.

*(Our Own Correspondent.)*

Singapore, March 24.

Mr. Edward Shaw Hose, British Resident at Negri Sembilan, has been appointed Colonial Secretary to the Straits Settlements. Mr. Hose has been in the Malayan civil service since 1891. He is a son of Bishop Hose, who was Bishop of Singapore from 1881 to 1908. He was the former food controller of Malaya and assistant magistrate at Singapore.

## INDIAN POET VISITS SINGAPORE.

*(Our Own Correspondent.)*

Singapore, March 24.

Rabindranth Tagore, the famous Indian poet and philosopher is visiting Peking. He will call at Singapore on April 1. A public reception and garden party have been arranged by all communities.

## VOLCANIC ERUPTION.

### WIPES OUT FISHERMEN'S ISLAND.

Manila, March 24.

A report to the Constabulary states that the inhabitants of Babuyan Island, mostly fishermen, are believed to have been killed by a volcano erupting on March 1st. The island is sparsely inhabited, at the northern extremity of Luzon, and in a volcanic area. The volcano which erupted is known as Stith's Cone.—*Reuter.*


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# SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

## Vessels Arrived.

| Vessel | Agents | From | Mooring. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sava M. | Y K K | Karatsu | Wanchai |
| Suisang | J M & Co. | Manila | B 32 |
| Cochinchine | Kai Yu | Haiphong | B 28 |
| Kitano M. | N Y K | Shanghai | A 3 |
| Korea M. | T K K | | A 4 |
| Yan On | Yin Woo | Heikow | West Point |
| Pres. Wilson | P M S S | Manila | Kow. Whf. |
| San Li | Po On | Kwang Chow Wan | Co's Whf. |
| Yatshing | J M & Co. | Shanghai via Swatow | |
| New Mathilde | Yik Tai | Pakhoi | West Point |
| E H Everett | Williamson | Saigon | |
| Palisa | P M S S | Manila | A 29 |
| Sisco | J O J L | Bangkok | B 31 |
| Nazareno | Bodiker | Singapore | Kow. Whf. |
| Childar | Thoresen | Saigon | West Point |

## Clearances.

| Vessel | Agents | Where Bound | Departure. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Haiching | Douglas | Foochow via Swatow | 25th March |
| Ichang | B & S | Shanghai via Amoy | " |
| Lungchow | Sing Kee | Haiphong via Pakhoi | " |
| Kwaisang | J M & Co. | Bangkok via Swatow | " |
| Hok Canton | Hong On | Fort Bayard | " |
| Mausang | J M & Co. | Sandakan | " |
| Astral | Std. Oil Co | Coconda | " |
| Haimun | Yan Fat | Tourane | " |
| Fenglee | Yuen Seng Fat | Saigon via Swatow | " |
| Ichang | B & S | Amoy | " |
| Choshu M. | N Y K | Shanghai | " |
| Aki M. | O S K | Singapore | " |
| Kwangchow | B & S | Swatow | " |
| Pakhoi | " | Shanghai | " |
| Song Bo | M M Cie | Haiphong | " |

## Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

| Vessel | Agents | Destination | Sailing Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mausang | J M Co. | Sandakan | 25th March |
| Haiching | D L & Co. | Foochow | 25th " |
| Banka | J M Co. | Bangkok | 25th " |
| Kwaisang | J M Co. | Swatow | 25th " |
| E. of Russia | O P S Ld. | Manila | 26th " |
| Wingsang | J M Co. | Shanghai | 26th " |
| Aachen | M & Co. | Bremen | 26th " |
| Kitano M. | N Y K | Antwerp | 26th " |
| Akita M. | N Y K | Japan | 26th " |
| Tjibodas | J O J L | Batavia | 26th " |

## Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

| Vessel | Agents | From | Due Hongkong |
|---|---|---|---|
| E. of Russia | O P S Ld. | Shanghai | 25th March |
| Kitaro M. | N Y K | Moji | 25th " |
| Akita M. | N Y K | Singapore | 25th " |
| Korea M. | T K K | Shanghai | 25th " |
| Genoa M. | N Y K | Kobe | 25th " |
| Perim | P & O | Shimonoseki | 25th " |
| Kaga M. | N Y K | Kobe | 27th " |

## Consignees Diary.

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

| Vessel | Agents | Goods Stored | Free Storage Expires | Claims to be in by | Examination Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Commandant Mages | M M | Kowloon | Mar. 25 | Mar. 28 | Mar. 25 |
| Benledi | G L Co. | Kowloon | Mar. 25 | Apr. 2 | Mar. 26 |
| P. McKinley | A O L | Kowloon | Mar. 25 | Apr. 20 | Mar. 24 |
| Sian " | J M Co | Kowloon | Apr. 1 | Apr. 4 | Apr. 1 |
| Nazaremo | C B Co. | Kowloon | Mar. 31 | Apr. 10 | Mar. 29 |
| Angkor | M M | Kowloon | Mar. 31 | Apr. 4 | Mar. 27 |

## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

| STOCK EXCHANGE | | SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **BANKS.** | | | |
| H.K. & S. Bank | b. 1150 | b. | 1147½ |
| " (London) | a. 129½ | | |
| Chartered Bank | a. £19½ | a. | £20 |
| Mercantile Banks A & B | a. £29 | a. | £28½ |
| Mercantile Banks C | a. £12 | | |
| P. & O. Bank | b. £12½ | b. | £13 |
| Bank of E. Asia | b. 97½ | b. | 99½ |
| **MARINE INSURANCE.** | | | |
| Canton | b. 715 | b. | 715 |
| China Underwriters | a. 1½ | | |
| North China | b. $140 | a. | 140 |
| Union | aa. 245 | a. | 245 |
| Yangtsze | b. 27 | b. | 27 |
| **FIRE INSURANCES.** | | | |
| China Fires | b. 145 | b. | 145 |
| H.K. Fires | b. 555 | b. | 555 |
| **SHIPPING.** | | | |
| Douglases | a. 58 | a. | 58 |
| H.K. Steamboats | a 43 | a. | 41 |
| H.K. Tugs | a. 3 55 | a. | 3½ |
| Indos (Prof.) | b. 38½ | | |
| Indos Def. Lon. Reg. | a. 153½ | a. | 35 |
| Indos Def. H.K. Reg. | a. 133½ | a. | 130 |
| Shells | b. 93/- | a. | 93/9 |
| Ferries | b. 85 a. 87 | b. | 85 |
| Water-boats | b. 15½ | a. | 16 |
| **REFINERIES.** | | | |
| China Sugars | a. 278 | b. | 277 |
| Malabon | b. 47/- a. 50 | b. | 48½ |
| **MINING.** | | | |
| Benguet Consldt | b. P. 1.90 | | |
| Kailan | a. 68 | a. | 68/- |
| Langkats Combined | a. 32 | b. 29 a. | 30 |
| Raubs | a. 5 | a. | 4.80 |
| Tronohs | b. 44.6 | b. | 44/- |
| Ural Caspiana | a. 14/- | | |
| **DOCKS WHARVES, GODOWNS &c.** | | | |
| H.K. Wharves | b. 188 | a. | 168½ |
| K. Docks | b. 152 aa 152½ | a. | 152½ |
| Hongkew Wharves | b. 187½ | | |
| New Engineerings | b. 5.00 | b. | 5½ |
| Shanghai Docks | a. 94 | a. | 93 |
| **LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.** | | | |
| H.K. Hotels (cum all) | b. 25 cum rts. aa. 26/6½ | aa. | x. d. 25½ |
| Do. (New) Prem. | | a. | 8 |
| H.K. Lands | b. 120½ | b. 119 | aa. 120 |
| H.K. Realty | a. 2½ | a. | 2.60 |
| H.K. Territories | b. 1.40 | | |
| Humphreys Estate | a. 22 | b. | 23½ |
| Princes Bldg. | b. 150 | a. | 150 |
| **COTTON MILLS.** | | | |
| Ewo Cottons | b. 11.70 | b. | 11½ |
| Orientals | b. 5 | b. | 5 |
| Shanghai Cottons Old | a. 66 | a. | 63 |
| Shanghai Cottons New | a. 41 | a. | 38 |
| **MISCELLANEOUS.** | | | |
| Canton Ices | b. 7½ | a. | 8 |
| Cements (cum rts.) | b. 33½ | aa. | 33/33½ |
| Do. (New) Prem. | | b. | 7 |
| China Light | a. 14½ new b. 8 | cum all b. aa. 18½ | b. 8 |
| China Providents | a. 17 | cum all b. 26½ aa. 26½/27 | new b. 5 |
| Constructions | a. 7.35 | a. | 7½ |
| Dairy Farms | b. 25½ | b. | 25 |
| Der A Wing (f.p.) | b. 10 | b. | 10 |
| " (p.p.) | b. 2½ | b. | 2½ |
| Electrics H.K. Old | a. 35½ | a. | 35½ |
| Electrics Macao | b. 38 | | |
| Hongkong Ropes (cum all) | a. 67 aa. 64/7 | b. | 62½ |
| H.K. Ropes (New) Prem. | | b. | 3½ |
| Do. Ex Rts. & Bons | | a. | 26 |
| Hongkong Tramways | b. 28.10 | b. | 28 |
| Lane Crawfords | b. 18½ | b. | 18.60 |
| Mackintosh | a. 25 | | |
| Peak Trams Old | b. 15½ | b. | 15½ |
| Peak Trams New | b. 3 | b. | 2½ |
| Sincerus | b. 12½ | b. | 13 |
| Taxis | b. 4½ | b. | 4½ |
| Watsons | b. 27 | b. | 26½ |
| Wm. Powells | b. old 18 new 15 | b. | 17 |
| Nanyang Tob. | | | |

Hongkong, March 25, 1923.


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Hongkong, February 15th, 1924.

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Hongkong, 15th February 192

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T. NISHIYAMA,
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The perfection of the electric ultra-audible microphone, invented by Dr. Phillips Thomas, which it is claimed will permit scientists to record sound vibrations which now are too rapid or too faint for the human ear to catch, has just been announced by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company (says a Reuter message from New York.)

According to Mr. S. M. Kintner director of research for the Westinghouse Company, in its experimental stage the microphone has been used successfully to transmit by radio the highest notes of the voice and of musical instruments which the ordinary transmitter and receiver reproduce as mere noises. Mr. Kintner declared the device had been perfected and simplified to a point at which it could be used by vessels at sea in picking up warnings of fog horns or other sound warnings beyond the range of the human ear, in studying the finer sound vibrations of organs of the human body, such as the heart and brain, and in the realm of the entomologist, who has tried in vain to pick up sounds known to be made by tiny insects but inaudible to humans.

"To all these sounds the normal human ear is in the same relation as the deaf person is to sounds we hear distinctly," said Mr. Kintner. "The ultra-audible microphone will do for the human ear what the microscope does for the eye. The musical note we call Middle C, is produced by a sound v brating 256 to the second. The average telephone can transmit and receive sounds vibrating not over 5,000 a second. At 12,000 vibrations per second we reach the upper limit of musical sound for most ears, and at 20,000 the sound is too fine to reach the average human ear. With the new device which will register sound of an infinite number of vibrations from 20,000 up, we shall be able to reproduce and record, if not to hear, all the seconds of the earth of which heretofore we have remained in complete ignorance."

Dr. Thomas's device consists of a ring of insulating material, on the inner side of which two tiny electrodes are set opposite. A high voltage is passed through the electrodes, producing a soft purplish glow discharge as it flows through the air between them. This flowing light, it is claimed, is highly sensitive to sound vibrations, flickering with the sounds and causing changes in the flow of current which can be transmitted to reproducing machines or recorded by a stylus.

Heads of the Department of Entomology at the American Museum of Natural History professed a great interest in the new invention. It has long been known, they said, that certain birds, insects, and even animals, which to the human ear were dumb, made vocal or body sounds in communicating with each other. Male and female insects undoubtly call to each other by sounds too high pitched for the human ear, they said. They declare that the new microphone, if made available to science, would open a vast realm of study to the entomologist.

## RADIUM AND CANCER.

### A New Experiment.

The specific effect of radium emanation on cancerous tissue is being tested by Drs. A. K. Kotzareff and L. Weyl of Paris as the basis of a new method of diagnosing and locating cancer. A serum of the patient's own blood charged with emanation is injected into the veins, when the emanation gradually collects in the cancerous cells, and the concentration can be detected on photographs taken. This is the conclusion reached from experiments on a guinea pig, the results justifying strong hope that a means of detecting cancer in its early stages will be developed.

### CHARGE OF ABDUCTION.

At Portsmouth last month Chas. Sidney Reynolds, seventeen, employed at the Dockyard, was remanded, charged with abducting Irene Perring, aged sixteen. The parties had been walking out for four months. The girl left home one Sunday to take a Sunday-school class but both took train to London. When arrested on a warrant the accused denied taking the girl away, saying that she went of her own free will. Perring confirmed this, adding that she first suggested going to London, and said she would marry if her parents consented.

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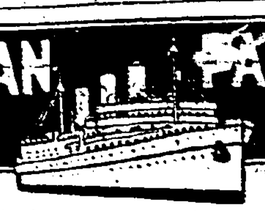

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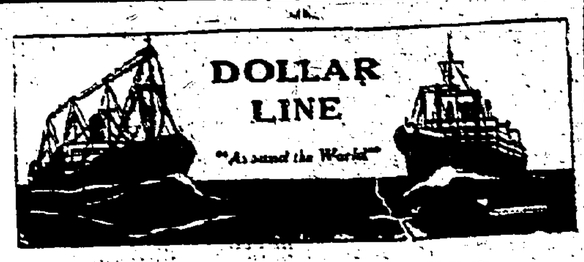


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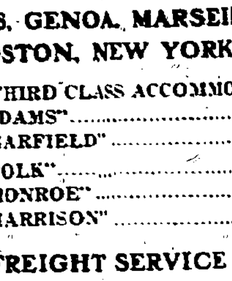


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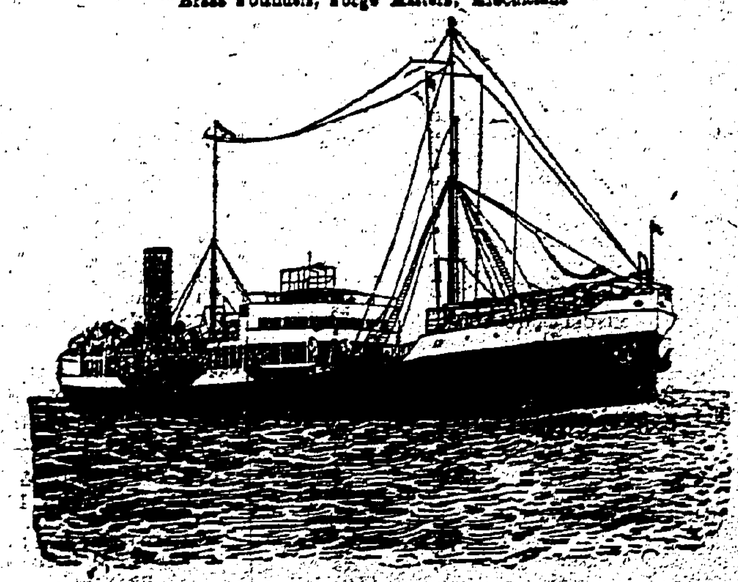

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| SANDAKAN | Mausang | Tues 25th Mar. at 1 p.m. |
| TTAO via S'tow & S'hai | Wingsang | Wed. 26th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI via Swatow | Taisang | Thurs. 27th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI via Swatow | Loksang | Fri. 28th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| TIENTSIN | Chipshing | Sat. 29th Mar. at noon. |
| MANILA via Amoy | Suisang | Sat. 29th Mar. at 11 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI via Swatow | Yatshing | Sun. 30th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| HAIPHONG via Hoihow | Leesang | Sun. 30th Mar. at 10 a.m. |
| STRAITS & Calcutta | Fooksang | Tues. 1st Apr. at 3 p.m. |
| TTAO via S'tow & S'hai | Wosang | Wed. 2nd Apr. at 7 a.m. |
| SANDAKAN | Hinsang | Wed. 2nd Apr. at 1 p.m. |
| KOBE | Kutsang | Thurs. 10th Apr. at 4 p.m. |

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| Steamships. | Captain. | Leaving. |
|---|---|---|
| Haiching... | A. H. Stewart ... | TUES. 25th Mar. at 1 p.m. |
| Haihong ... | W. C. Passmore | FRI. 28th Mar. at 1 p.m. |
| Haifoong... | Ellis Walker..... | TUES. 1st Apr. at 1 p.m. |

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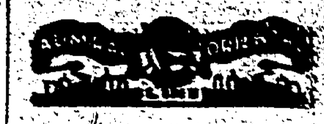

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Hongkong, 19th. March 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 28th. instant or they will not be recognized.
All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday the 25th. instant at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been Effected.
R. RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong 18th. March 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 2nd. April, or they will not be recognised.
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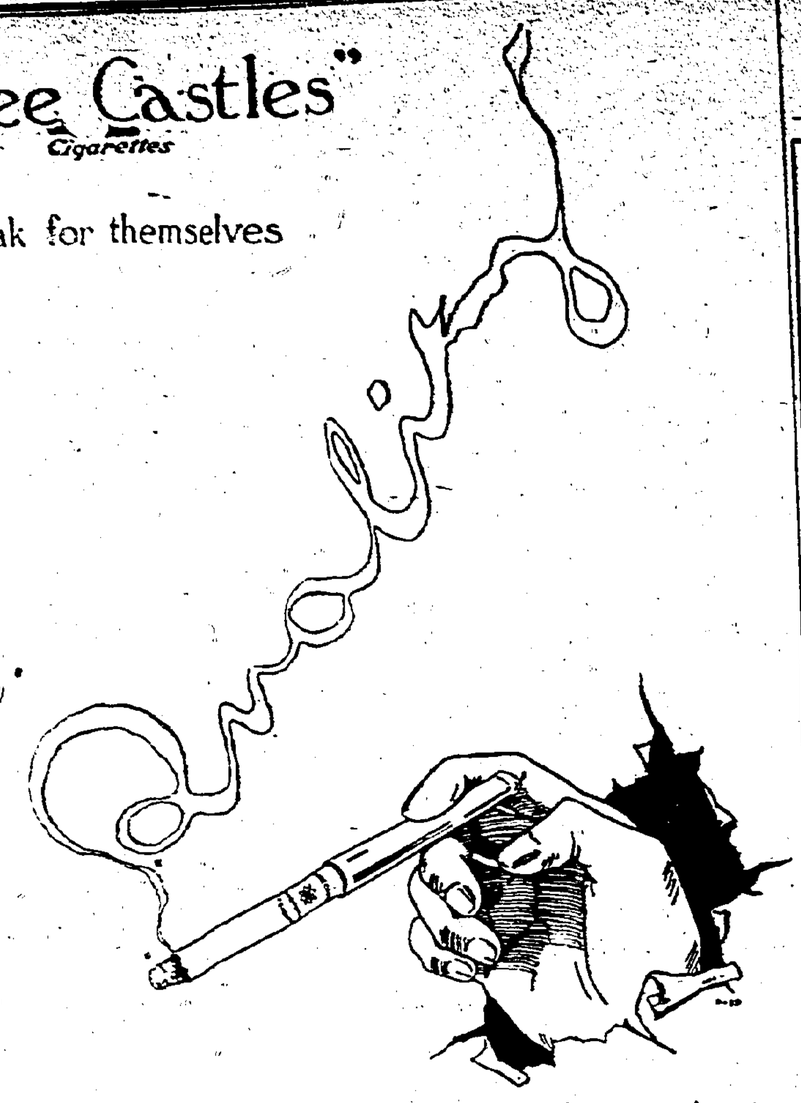


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| 4 m/s. D/P. | 2/5⅛ |
| 3 m/s. L/C. | 2/5.5/16 |
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| 4 m/s. France | 10.20 |
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| T/T. Bombay | — |
| Demand, Bombay | 169 |
| T/T. Calcutta | — |
| Demand, Calcutta | 169 |
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| Demand, Singapore | 100⅜ |
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Hong ong, March 25 1924.

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INWARD MAILS.

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|---|---|---|
| Shanghai | Soiyang | 25th Mar. |
| Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai | Emp. of Russia | 25th ,, |
| Japan & Shanghai | Korea M. | 25th ,, |
| Shanghai | Soochow | 26th ,, |
| Straits | Japan | 27th ,, |
| Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London 23th Feb.) | Glenshane | 29th ,, |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai | Pres. Jackson | 30th ,, |
| U.S.A., Japan, & Shanghai | Pres. Adams | 31st ,, |

OUTWARD MAILS.

| For | Per | Date. |
|---|---|---|
| Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong | Yanman | Wed., 26 inst., 8.30 a.m. |
| Hoihow | Yun Ying Wa | Wed., 26 inst., 8.30 a.m. |
| Fort Bayard | Hun Li | Wed., 26 inst., 9 a.m. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles | Kitano M. | Wed., 26 inst., Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 26th April.) |
| Swatow | Kingyuan | Wed., 26 inst., 1 p.m. |
| Manila | Tean | Wed., 26 inst., 1 p.m. |
| Saigon | Tjibodas | Wed., 26 inst., 3.30 p.m. |
| Amoy | Luchow | Wed., 26 inst., 3.30 p.m. |
| *Manila | Emp. of Russia | Wed., 26 inst., 4.20 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *Europe via San Francisco | Pres. Wilson | Parcels 2 p.m. Wed., 26 inst. Registration 3.45 p.m Letters 4.30 p.m. (Due San Francisco 17th April & Europe via Siberia) (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only.) |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa | Kotsu M. | Wed., 26 inst., 5 p.m. |
| Manila, *Singapore *Colombo & parcels only for Germany via Hamburg | Atchen | Wed. 26 inst., 5 p.m. |
| Straits | Van Overstraten | Thurs., 27 inst., 1 p.m |
| Swatow | Hydrangea | Thurs., 27 inst., 3.30 p.m. |
| Straits Ceylon, India Mauritius, E. & S. Africa | Sicilia | Fri., 28 inst., 10.30 a.m. |
| Manila, *Singapore, *Colombo, *Suez & parcels only for Germany via Hamburg | Albert Vogler | Fri., 28 inst., 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow | Haihong | Fri., 28 inst., noon. |
| Straits & Calcutta | Fuksang | Fri., 28 inst., 1 p.m. |

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Mar. 25d. 12h. 10m.—Pressure has decreased considerably from Chefoo to Shanghai and increased moderately at Vladivostock and Haiphong. It has increased slightly at Hongkong and Tourane and is nearly stationary over the Philippines.

The Chinese anticyclone has broken up and a depression has formed over N.E. China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.69 inches, against an average of 5.48 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

| District. | Forecast. |
|---|---|
| 1 Formosa Channel | N.E. winds, fresh. |
| 2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks | N. or variable winds, moderate; fair. |
| 3 H'kong to Gap Rock | |
| 4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan | |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
Hongkong, Mar. 25.

## DAVIS CUP.

### Australia's Chances.

Among the passengers on the Moldavia, which arrived at Colombo from Australia recently, was the famous tennis player, Norman Brookes.

Discussing the team which has been chosen by the selecters to represent Australia in the Davis Cup, Mr. Brookes expressed the opinion that the Australian team would not stand the slightest chance of winning, and might not even get into the challenge round. He added that, in view of the fact that Anderson was unable to play, the wiser course would have been for Australia to have witheld from challenging until next year.

Discussing the two new men in the team, he described Schlesinger as one of Australia's most promising players, with a fine temperament for big events; Kalms also, he added, is an extraordinarily fineplayer of the greatest promise. Of the old players, Paterson is at present below form, while O'Hara Wood is off colour, as as a result of having trouble with his shoulder. It is doubtful, added Brookes, whether O'Hara Wood would fully recover from his disability before the Davis Cup contest begins. Altogether there is no reason to believe that the result can be anything other than a victory for the Americans. At present Anderson is the only menace to the Americans' supremacy, and Anderson is unable to play owing to the fact that the authorities refuse to compensate him for the loss of business profits during the tour, holding that this would constitute a breach of the amateur rules.

### EARTHQUAKE DECORATION.

For conspicuous bravery in rescue work among the ruins of the Grand Hotel in Yokohama at the time of the September disaster, Lieut. Thomas J. Ryan, Jr., U.S. Navy, has been awarded a medal of honour by the Secretary of the Navy. Lieutenant Ryan was an ensign attached to the staff of the America Embassy at Tokyo as student officer at the time of the disaster.

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